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Attractive center 3-21-86

On March 21 I had the pleasure of visiting the Astoria Senior Center at the foot of 11th Street.

I wish to comment on the time and effort that has been put into it to make the center so attractive and comfortable.

I would also like to thank the 14 musicians, and Mrs. Johnson who operated the sound system, for donating their time and effort for three hours of enjoyment for myself and at least 50 other people.

The musicians consisted of drums, electric guitar, two regular guitars, banjo, two piano accordians, harp, five violins, mouth harp, piano and organ.

My thanks to Barbara Derby who put it all together. She did a fantastic job.

I'm sure Barbara would welcome a call at 325-3231 if you are fortunate enough to have musical talent you would wish to donate for the enjoyment of others.

God bless each one who has contributed in any way.

MARCELLA LINDSEY
P.O. Box 225
Warrenton

Lonely?

Are you alone and lonely? Do something about it, come join us at the senior center at the foot of 11th Street in Astoria every second Friday night of each month at 7 p.m. for a musical jam session.

There are many people with musical ability donating their time and effort playing the old songs for our enjoyment. We also enjoy a time of refreshments and getting to know each other.

If you have talent you want to donate please call Barbara Derby at 325-3231 before 4 p.m. daily.

Hope we'll see you May 8 at 7 p.m.

MARCELLA LINDSEY
P.O. Box 225
Warrenton

I'd also like to extend an invitation for you to visit our Warrenton Community Center Senior

Dinners on Mondays and Thursdays at 12 p.m., with a time of fellowship and music before the dinners. I might add the dinners are very good!

If anyone has a piano in good working condition that they would like to donate, or a color T.V., or Video player, we are in need of all these items.

If you have any of the above items to donate, you may call our manager for the Senior Lunches, Aileen Jensen, 861-1423, Miriam Cox at 861-3209, or myself 861-2879.

Marcella Lindsey
Warrenton

A good time

Since my retirement I have the privilege of attending the Full Gospel Businessmen's Fellowship every fourth Friday of the month at 7 p.m. at Red's Restaurant in Ilwaco, Wash. The food is great and so are the guest speakers.

Next meeting is April 24 with Don Kennedy from Longview, Wash., as speaker. If you can come, call 1-206-642-4160 or 1-206-642-4676. You'll have a good time.

MARCELLA LINDSEY
P.O. Box 225
Warrenton

*Heal you are enjoying
your Retirement.*

*Dr. Pardee &
Staff*

ASTORIA SENIOR NEWS

By Marcella Lindsey

On Friday, November 9, at 7:30 p.m., 14 musicians donated their time and talents for our enjoyment at the monthly Musical Rendezvous at the Senior Center, 1111 Exchange Street, Astoria.

Those contributing for our enjoyment were Joe Cappel, Fran Hartill, Andy Honcharenko, Estelle Ishmael, Tiny Johnson, Norman Junes, Bob and Irene Kier, Lee Lahti, and Chuck and Audrey Paetow. Don Peterson played and sang songs that he had composed and written music to, and Bob Svenson and Boon Salisbury joined us as well.

It was a very stormy night and we do appreciate their efforts. We enjoyed refreshments during intermission and fellowship time.

Come on December 14 and bring a friend—it's open to all.

Evening of fun

March 2 - 1990

To the Editor:

On the night of February 9th, I had the pleasure of attending the monthly Music Rendezvous at Astoria's attractive Senior Center at 1111 Exchange, Astoria.

It was a very stormy night and I wish to thank the 18 musicians that came out in the storm with their instruments to entertain us and donate their time.

These musicians deserve a note of appreciation: Clarence Hadley from Long Beach, Wash., Estelle Ishmael, Lee Lahti, Becky Taylor, Boone Salisbury and John Vlastalicia from the Knappa-Svensen area, Phyllis Bennett, Joe Cappel, Fran Hartell, Andy Hancharenko, Dale Johnson, Tiny Johnson, Norman Junes, Bob and Irene Kier, Bill Leonard, Chris Reed and Bob Svensen from our area.

We all had a great time of fellowship, refreshments and enjoyable music and would encourage you to join us at the next

Music Rendezvous on Friday, March 9, at 7:30 p.m.

If you plan an instrument, bring it and bring a friend and finger foods if you can, we'd love to have you join us.

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Astoria Senior News by Marcella Lindsay

On the night of March 8 at 7:30 p.m., the monthly Music Rendezvous was held at Astoria Senior Center at 1111 Exchange Street.

There were 16 musicians who donated their time and talents for the entertainment of the public.

These musicians deserve a note of appreciation: Phyllis Bennett, Joe Cappel, Nathaniel Christenson, Clarence Hadley from Long Beach, Wash., Fran Hartill, Andy Hancharenko, Dale Johnson, Tiny Johnson, Norman Junes, Lee Lahti, Chuck and Audrey Paetow, don Petersen, Bob Svensen, Becky Taylor and John Vlastalicia.

We all had a great time of fellowship, refreshments and old time music; if you have an instrument and would like to contribute please come to our next get together on April 8, at 7:30 p.m., the second Friday of each month. It is open to the public, bring finger foods if you can.

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**Astoria Senior
Center News**

By Marcella Lindsey

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We had a great time of fellowship, refreshments and old time music. If you have an instrument and would like to contribute, please come to our next get-together on April 8. We meet every second Friday of each month. It is open to anyone. Please bring finger foods if you can.

A good time

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Warrenton

Astoria Senior News

by Marcella Lindsey

On the night of Friday, April 12, I had the pleasure of attending the monthly Music Rendezvous at the Senior Center at 1111 Exchange Street.

We had a good size gathering of all ages and were entertained by the following musicians who donated their time and talents for our enjoyment.

Phyllis Bennett, Andy Hancharenko, Estelle Ishmael, Dale Johnson, Tiny Johnson, Norman Junes, Bob and Irene Kier, Lee Lahti, Don Petersen, Boon Salsbury, Bob Svenson, John Vastalicia, first timers Linda Mustard and Lisa Seidel from a music group of three called "Sweet Water Rose," they were good and we enjoyed their music.

We would like to invite you to gather next month on May 10, the second Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m., everyone welcome and bring finger foods for our intermission if you can.

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Astoria Senior News

by Marcella Lindsey

On Friday, May 10, our monthly Musical Rendezvous was at the Astoria Senior Center.

There were 19 musicians, many of them from other towns contributing for our enjoyment. Many of them play several instruments and play lots of old time music.

Those entertaining us were Phyllis Bennett, Nathaniel Christenson, Fran Hartill, Andy Hancharenko, Estelle Ishmael, Dale Johnson, Tiny Johnson, Norman Junes, Bob and Irene Kier, Lee Lahti, Bill Leonard, Linda Mustard, Don Petersen, Boon Salsbury, Bob Svensen, Becky Taylor, John Vastalicia.

We enjoyed birthday cakes honoring Dale Johnson and Millie Bosshart's birthdays along with a variety of other delicacies at intermission time.

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Senior Citizens celebrating birthdays at the Astoria Senior Center on May 29 were, left to right: Esther Utterberg, Anna Lake, Andy Honcharenko, May Meyers, Heidi Kimiki, Lucille Johnson, Mary Moberg, Alice Mitts, and Roy Woods.

Astoria Senior News

By Marcella Lindsey

On Tuesday, May 28, at 1:30 p.m., at the Astoria Senior Center, those in attendance enjoyed an hour of music by the group "Sweet Water Rose."

The group players were Linda and Sharon Mustard, Lisa Seidel, and they were accompanied by Andy Honcharenko on the guitar.

We wish to thank them for an enjoyable afternoon.

We would like to invite everyone to our monthly Musical Rendezvous which is on the second Friday night of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Bring cookies if you can, for intermission.

On Wednesday, May 29, nine people brought birthday cakes to share with others in celebration of their birthdays. Those were: Esther Utterberg, Anna Lake, Andy Honcharenko, May Meyers, Hedi Kimiki, Lucille Johnson, Alice Mitts, Roy Woods, and Mary Moberg. Everyone in attendance enjoyed the strawberries, cakes and ice cream.

The next birthday party will be the last Wednesday in June. Bring a cake to share if it is your birthday.

Astoria Senior News

By Marcella Lindsey

A special "Thanks" to Andy Honcharenko for his restoration of articles donated to the Astoria Senior Center.

Andy has restored a 1905

pool table, a 1917 Edison cylinder phonograph and a shuffle board. He has also made two showcases, one displays 13 miniature cars and farm machinery and the other displays a collection of 1932 miniature Ford

pickups.

If anyone has anything they would like to donate to the Center I am sure it would be appreciated. The phone number is 325-3231.

**Astoria Senior
News**

By Marcella Lindsey

On Friday, June 14, our monthly Musical Rendezvous was held at the Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange Street, Astoria. There were 17 musicians donating their time and talent for the evening.

We would like to thank those musicians for their wonderful music. They are: Joe Cappel, Art Coleman, Clarence Hadley from Washington, Fran Hartill, Estelle Ishmael, Dale Johnson, Chuck and Audrey Paetow, Don Petersen, Boon Salsbury, Bob Svensen, Becky Taylor and John Vastalicia. It was an enjoyable evening.

During intermission, a sheet cake was served in honor of Barbara Darby for her faithful service she has given the past years. Because of the passing of Measure 5, Ms. Darby will be laid off.

The next Musical Rendezvous will be July 12, at 7:30 p.m. Bring goodies if you can.

Astoria Senior News

By Marcella Lindsey 1991

On Friday, July 12, our monthly Musical Rendezvous was held at the Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St., Astoria.

Eleven musicians donated their time and talent for the evening.

We would like to thank the following musicians for entertaining us: Art Coleman, Phyllis Bennett, Joe Cappel, Clarence Hadley (from Long Beach, Wash.), Estelle Ishmael, Bob and Irene Kier, Lee Lahti,

Don Petersen, Bob Svensen, and John Vlastalicia.

Everyone enjoyed the intermission with fellowship and goodies. Please plan to attend next month's "Rendezvous", August 9. Bring goodies to share if you can.

Seniors

play music

Nov 8-1991

By Marcella Lindsey

The Nov. Senior Music Rendezvous was held at the Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St., in Astoria. There was a large attendance.

Musical entertainment was provided by 14 talented musicians: Phyllis Bennett, Joe Cappel, Fran Hartill, Andy Honcharenko, Estelle Ishmael, Norman Junes, Bob and Irene Kier, Lee Lahti, Don Petersen, Boon Salsbery, Bob Svensen, Becky Taylor and John Vlastalicia.

Cookies and cake were enjoyed during intermission.

The next rendezvous will be Dec. 13 at 7:30 p.m.; come and bring your instrument, a friend and some cookies to share during intermission. We would love to have you attend.

Local man restores antiques

by Marcella Lindsey Dec. 1991

A special thank you to Andy Honcharenko for his restoration of articles donated to the Astoria Senior Center.

Andy has restored a 1905 pool table, a 1917 Edison cylinder phonograph and a shuffle board.

Andy has also made two showcases, in the one he has made 13 miniature cars and farm machinery and in the other a collection of 1932 Ford miniature pickups. If anyone has anything they wish to donate to the center, I am sure it would be appreciated. Call 325-3231 before 4 p.m.

The November Senior Music Rendezvous was held at the Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St., with a very good attendance.

Musical entertainment was provided by these 14 talented musicians: Phyllis Bennett, Joe Cappel, Fran Hartill, Andy Honcharenko, Estelle Ishmael, Norman Junes, Bob and Irene Kier, Lee Lahti, Don Petersen, Boon Salsbery, Bob Svensen, Becky Taylor and John Vlastalicia.

Cookies and cake were enjoyed during intermission. The next Music Rendezvous will be held Friday, Dec. 13, at 7:30 p.m. Come and bring your instrument, a friend, and some cookies to share during intermission if you can.

Refreshments were enjoyed during the intermission along with the fellowship.

A special "thank you" to the Astoria High School students, from the Astoria Seniors, for the special Valentine luncheon. The food was delicious and the students gave excellent service. They are to be commended.

The Astoria Senior Birthday Celebration is held the last Wednesday of every month at 2 p.m. All Seniors are invited to attend.

Our next Musical Rendezvous will be held March 13, 7:30 p.m., at the Senior Center. Come and bring a friend, and your favorite goodies to share at the intermission and fellowship time. We are looking forward to seeing you.

ASTORIA SENIOR NEWS

by Marcella Lindsey 1991

On Friday, October 12, 196 musicians donated their time and talents for our enjoyment at the monthly Musical Rendezvous at the Senior Center in Astoria, located at 1111 Exchange Street.

Those contributing to our enjoyment were Joe Cappel, Andy Hancharenko, Nathaniel Christenson, Estelle Ishmael, Dale Johnson, Tiny Johnson, Norman Junes, Bob and Irene Kier, Lee Lahti, Bill Leonard, Chuck and Audrey Paetow, Bob Svensen, and John Vlastalicia.

We all had a good time of fellowship during refreshment time and would encourage you to join us for the next Musical Rendezvous on Friday, November 9.

APRIL 17, 1992

Astoria Senior News

By Marcella Lindsey

On Friday, April 10, the monthly Music Rendezvous was held at the Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St., Astoria. Fourteen musicians participated for our enjoyment. They were Phyllis Bennett, Andy Honcharenko, and Bob Swenson, who played guitars and mouth organ; Clarence Hadley, Fran Hartill, Bob Kier and Andy playing violins; Irene Kier and Estelle Ishmael played accordions; Don Petersen the harp; John Vlastalicia the banjo; Lee Lahti the drums; and Rusty Anderson the electric organ. Singers were Joe Cappel and Dick Bonas.

Thanks to all who brought refreshments for our intermission and fellowship time. Our next rendezvous will be May 8 at 7:30 p.m., at the Astoria Senior Center. Bring a friend and some dainties to share and come and enjoy the music.

Musicians entertain at center during June 12 rendezvous

Astoria Senior News
by Marcella Lindsey

On Friday, June 12, the monthly Senior Music Rendezvous was held at Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St., Astoria.

Because of the basketball playoffs, there were only 11 musicians present to play for our enjoyment. They were: Phyllis Bennett, Art Coleman, Fran Hartill, Estelle Ishmael, Norman Junes, Bob and Irene Kier, Lee Lahti, Chuck Paetow, Don Petersen and John Vlastalicia. From Knappa, John just turned 89 and still plays his banjo for us.

Come and join us next month, July 10 at 7:30 p.m. and bring cookies or cake for intermission and fellowship.

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FEBRUARY 28, 1992

Astoria Senior News

By Marcella Lindsey

The February Senior Rendezvous was held Feb. 14, Valentine's Day, 7:30 p.m., at the Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange Street, Astoria.

To provide this night's music for our entertainment were fifteen musicians from around the area. They included Clarence Hadley, Long Beach, Wash.; Estelle Ishmael, Bob and Irene Kier, Lee Lahti, and John Vlastalicia, Knappa-Swensen area; Phyllis Bennett, Joe Cappel, Rusty Anderson, Nathaniel Christenson, Fran Hartill, Norman Junes, Bill Leonard, Don Petersen, from Astoria and Warrenton; and Chuck Paetow, who helped regulate the sound system.

We want to thank the musicians and extend our thanks to the husbands and wives who unselfishly allow them to come and play for us.

Astoria Senior News

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By Marcella Lindsey

The October Senior Music Rendezvous was held at the Astoria Senior Center, 111 Exchange St., in Astoria. A good time was had by all.

Musical entertainment was provided by these talented people:

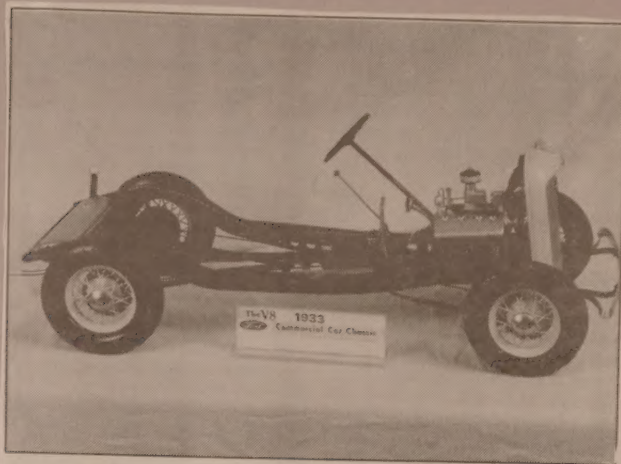
Phyllis Bennett, Nathaniel Christenson, Clarence Hadley from Long Beach, Andy Honcharenko, Estelle Ishmael, Dale Johnson, Norman Junes, Bob and Irene Kier, Lee Lahti, Bill Leonard, Bob Svensen, John Vlastalicia, and a visitor.

The next Musical Rendezvous will be on November 8, 7:30 p.m., at the Senior Center in Astoria. The public is invited to attend. Bring your instrument to play and some cookies for sharing during intermission.

For Social Security help:

For Social Security or Supplemental Security Income Assistance, call 1-800-772-1213.

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CHASSIS FEVER - Andy Honcharenko of Astoria made this model of a 1933 Ford Commercial Chassis. The model is 29 inches long with all metal parts, except for the engine. Every part is made by hand except the tires which are made of real rubber. The chassis steering is an exact replica of the 1933 Ford Commercial.

(courtesy photo)

Musicians entertain at center during June 12 rendezvous

Astoria Senior News

by Marcella Lindsey

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Because of the basketball playoffs, there were only 11 musicians present to play for our enjoyment. They were: Phyllis Bennett, Art Coleman, Fran Hartill, Estelle Ishmael, Norman Junes, Bob and Irene Kier, Lee Lahti, Chuck Paetow, Don Petersen and John Vlastalicia. From Knappa, John just turned 89 and still plays his banjo for us.

Come and join us next month, July 10 at 7:30 p.m. and bring cookies or cake for intermission and fellowship.

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Musical Rendezvous attracts crowd

by Marcella Lindsey

On Friday, Sept. 11, the regular monthly musical rendezvous met at the Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange. There were 15 musicians participating for our enjoyment: Phyllis Bennett, Coreen Bergholm, Joe Cappel, Rusty Anderson, Clarence Hadley from Long Beach, Wash., Andy Honcharenko, Estelle Ishmael, Norman Junes, Bob and Irene Kier, Bill Leonard, Don Petersen, Chris Reed, Bob Swenson, May Meyer and John Vlastalicia. There was a large crowd and a good time of fellowship and goodies during intermission. The next musical rendezvous will be held on Oct. 9. Be sure to come, bring a friend and cake or cookies to share with friends during intermission.

Astoria Senior News

Columbia Press

By Marcella Lindsey

On the night of April 9, the monthly Music Rendezvous was held at the Astoria Senior Center. Eleven musicians participated for our enjoyment. Those playing were: Rusty Anderson on the electric organ; Phyllis Bennett on guitar; Andy Honcharenko on violin; Estelle Ishmael on accordion; Norman Junes on harmonica; Bob Kier

on violin; Irene Kier on piano accordion; Lee Lahti on drums; Don Petersen on omnichord harp; Bob Swenson on guitar and singing; and John Vlastalicia on mandolin.

Special guest visiting was Misako Watanabe from Kawasaki, Japan. She is an exchange student, living with Jim and Mary Allen of Knappa. Joe Kesterson, known for his fancy

footwork, started dancing and several couples joined in. During intermission and fellowship time we enjoyed goodies brought by the ladies. Our

next meeting will be the second Friday of May on the 14th at 7 p.m. Come and bring a friend, your instrument if you play one, and some goodies to share if you can.

Astoria Senior News

Oct. 1992

By Marcella Lindsey

On Friday Sept. 11, the monthly Music Rendezvous was held at the Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange Street in Astoria.

Sixteen musicians participated for a large audience. Musicians included: Rusty Anderson, Phyllis Bennett, Coreen Bergholm, Joe Cappel, Clarence Hadley, Andy Honch-

arenko, Estelle Ishmael, Norman Junes, Bob and Irene Kier, Bill Leonard, May Meyer, Don Petersen, Chris Reed, Bob Swenson, John Vlastalicia.

Our next Music Rendezvous will be October 9 and everyone is welcome, regardless of age. Come and bring a friend; bring cake or cookies to share at intermission and fellowship time.

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Fourteen musicians play

by Marcella Lindsey

On Friday, Oct. 9, the monthly Senior Music Rendezvous was held at 1111 Exchange Street, Astoria Senior Center. Fourteen musicians participated playing a variety of instruments for our enjoyment. Those participating included: Rusty Anderson, Nathaniel Christenson, Fran Hartill, Andy Honcharenko, Estelle Ishmael, Dale Johnson, Norman Junes, Bob and Irene Kier, Lee Lahti, May Meyer, Don Peterson, Boon Salsbery, Bob Swenson and John Vlastalicia. We enjoyed cookies, cake and candy during our intermission and fellowship. Our next Music Rendezvous will be Friday, Nov. 13. The public is welcome so come and bring a friend and something to share during refreshment time if you can.



Astoria Senior News

By Marcella Lindsey

On Friday, October 9, the monthly Senior Musical Rendezvous was held at the Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange Street.

Fourteen musicians participated, playing a variety of instruments for our enjoyment; those participating were: Rusty Anderson, Natheneel Christenson, Fran Hartill, Andy Honcharenko, Estelle Ishmael, Dale

Johnson, Norman Junese, Bob and Irene Kier, Lee Lahti, May Meyer, Don Petersen, Boon Salsbary, Bob Swenson and John Vlastalicia. We enjoyed cookies, cake and candy during our intermission and fellowship.

Our next Music Rendezvous will be Friday, November 13, the public is welcome. Come and bring a friend and something to share during refreshment time if you can.

Astoria Senior News

By Marcella Lindsey

On Friday, November 13, at 1111 Exchange Street, the Senior Musical Rendezvous was held with 15 musicians participating for our enjoyment.

Those musicians were: Lee Lahti, Bob Swenson, Natheneel Christenson, Rusty Anderson, Don Petersen, John Vlastalicia, Norman Junes, Andy Honcharenko, Bob Kier, Estelle Ishmael, Irene Kier, Boon Salsbary, Phyllis Bennett, Mac Wilcox and one out of town visitor, Dave VanWagner, who is hoping to move to our area.

Delicious brownies, breads and cookies were enjoyed during intermission.

The next Music Rendezvous will be held at the Old Fire Hall in Swenson on Friday, November 27 at 7 p.m. Come and bring a friend and something to share during intermission.

Astoria Senior News

By Marcella Lindsey

On Friday, Dec. 11, the Christmas Musical Rendezvous was held at 1111 Exchange Street, Astoria, at the Senior Center.

Thirteen musicians participated for our enjoyment. Those playing instruments were: Clarence Hadley from Long Beach, WA.; Fran Hartill, Andy Honcharenko, Norman Junes, Lee Lahti, Bill Leonard, May Meyer, Chuck and Audrey Paetow, Don Peterson, Boon Salsbary, Bob Swenson and John Vlastalicia.

Special guests visiting the center were Tityana Emelyanenko and son Nick, who came from the Russian town of Khabarovsk just six months ago. We wish to welcome them to America.

Christmas goodies were enjoyed during the intermission and fellowship time. The next meeting will be held January 8, at 7 p.m.; please bring a friend and finger foods.

November 27 set for next rendezvous

by Marcella Lindsey

On Friday, Nov. 13, the monthly Astoria Senior Rendezvous was held at 1111 Exchange Street. There were 15 musicians playing four our enjoyment. Those participating were: Lee Lahti, Bob Swenson, Nehtaneel Christenson, Rusty Anderson, Don Peterson, John Vlastalicia, Norman Junes, Andy Honcharenko, Bob Kier, Estelle Ishmael, Irene Kier, Boon Salsbary, Phyllis Bennett, Mac Wilcox and one out of town guest, Dave VanWagner who is hoping to find employment in our area. Delicious brownies, fancy sweet bread and cookies were enjoyed during intermission and fellowship. Next music rendezvous will be held on Nov. 27 at the Old Fire Hall in Svenson at 7 p.m.; come and bring a friend and something to share during intermission.

Eight musicians perform at Astoria rendezvous

by Marcella Lindsey

On Friday, Feb. 12, at 1111 Exchange St., the Senior Musical Rendezvous was held with eight musicians performing.

Those playing were: Phyllis Bennett, Joe Cappel, Clarence Hadley, from Long Beach, Fran Hartill, Andy Honcharenko, Norman Junes, Lee

Lahti and Bob Swenson.

Special guests from Russia were Tityana Emlenenko and her son Nick, goodies were enjoyed during intermission and fellowship time.

The next meeting will be held March 12 at 7 p.m. Come and bring a friend and some goodies to share during intermission time.

Astoria Senior News

By Marcella Lindsey

On Friday, Feb. 12, at 1111 Exchange Street, the Senior Musical Rendezvous was held with 8 musicians performing for our enjoyment. Those playing instruments were: Phyllis Bennett, Joe Cappel, Clarence Hadley, Fran Hartill, Andy Honcharenko, Norman Junes, Lee

Lahti, and Bob Swenson. Special guests from Russia were Tityana Emlenenko and her son Nick. Goodies were enjoyed during intermission and fellowship time. The next meeting will be held on March 12.

Come and bring a friend and goodies to share.

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Astoria Senior News

By Marcella Lindsey

On March 12, at the senior center in Astoria, eight musicians performed at the Senior Musical Rendezvous. Those playing instruments were: Rusty Anderson, on the electric organ; Clarence Hadley from Long Beach, violin; Fran Hartill, violin and piano accordion; and Andy Honcharenko, violin, and he set up the sound system and placed chairs for a fairly large audience. Also, Norman Junes played mouth harmonica, Lee Lahti was on the drums, Don Peterson played auto harp omnichord and sang, and Bob Swenson played the guitar and sang.

During intermission we visited and enjoyed goodies. The next meeting will be Friday, April 9, at 7 p.m. Come and bring a friend, your instrument if you play one and some goodies to share during intermission and fellowship time. The fourth Friday of each month the Musical Rendezvous is held at 7 p.m. in the Svenson Senior Center.

Astoria Senior News

By Marcella Lindsey

On the night of May 14, the monthly Musical Rendezvous was held at the Astoria Senior Center. There were 12 musicians playing for an audience of about 50 people. Those participating were: Rusty Anderson, electric organ; Nathaniel Christensen, violin; Fran Hartill, violin and singing; Andy Honcharenko, saw; Stella Lustre, piano; Estelle Ishmael accordion and singing; Norman Junes, harmonica and told funny stories; Bob Kier, violin; Irene Kier, piano and accordion; Lee Lahti, drums; Don Peterson, omnichord and singing; and Bob Swenson, guitar,

singing and announcer for the evening.

Joe Kesterson honored several ladies with his good dancing. During intermission we enjoyed goodies brought by the ladies and everyone had a good time. Next meeting will be the second Friday of June, on the 11th, at 7 p.m. Please come and bring a friend.

A meeting is planned for Wednesday, May 26, at 10 a.m. at the Warrenton Community Center for input on a Senior Drop-In Center in Warrenton. Everyone is invited to attend and give their ideas.

Musical meeting set for April 9 at the Astoria Senior Center

by Marcella Lindsey

On Friday, March 12, at 1111 Exchange Street, the senior musical rendezvous was held with eight musicians performing for our enjoyment. We had a large crowd in the audience.

Those playing were: Rusty Anderson on the electric organ; Clarence Hadley from Long Beach played the violin;

Fran Hartill played violin and piano accordion; Andy Honcharenko played violin; Norman Junes played mouth harp; Lee Lahti on the drums; Don Peterson the otto harp and sang; Bob Swenson played guitar and sang. Goodies were enjoyed during intermission and fellowship time.

The next meeting will be held on April 9, come and bring a friend and if you can bake some goodies to share.

Astoria seniors turn out for May Music Rendezvous

The monthly Music Rendezvous was held May 14 at the Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St.

Twelve musicians played for an audience of about 50. Playing were: Rusty Anderson on the electric organ, Nathaniel Christensen on the violin; Fran Hartill on the violin and vocal. Andy Honcharenko played the saw

beautifully, accompanied by Stella Lustre on the piano; Estelle Ishmael played the accordion and tamboreen and sang two requested songs; Norman Junes played the harmonica and told some funny stories, Bob Kier played violin and Irene Kier played the piano accordion. Lee Lahti played drums, and Don Petersen played omnichord and

sang. Bob Swenson played the guitar and sang and acted as announcer.

Joe Kesterson honored several ladies with his dancing, and goodies were served during intermission.

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Music rendezvous attracts 11 entertainers

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Special guest, Misako Watanabe, is an exchange student from Kawasaki, Japan and is living at the home of Jim and Mary Allen in Knappa.

Joe Kesterson, known for his fancy footwork, started dancing and several couples joined in. During intermission and fellowship time, senior citizens enjoyed goodies brought by the ladies. The group's next meeting will be the second Friday of May, 14 at 7 p.m. Come and bring a friend, an instrument if you play one and some goodies to share if you can.

Open Forum

They take the time

I noticed the large news article of the nude woman getting front-page coverage.

I have tried in the past to get The Daily Astorian to come and take a picture when the Astoria Senior Center is having their monthly birthday celebration or their monthly senior Musical Rendezvous and have been told it is old news or they do not have time.

I wish to let the senior Astorians know the Warrenton Columbia Press takes time and have been printing my articles monthly for several years and are pleasant about it.

MARCELLA LINDSEY
Warrenton

Astoria Senior News

By Marcella Lindsey

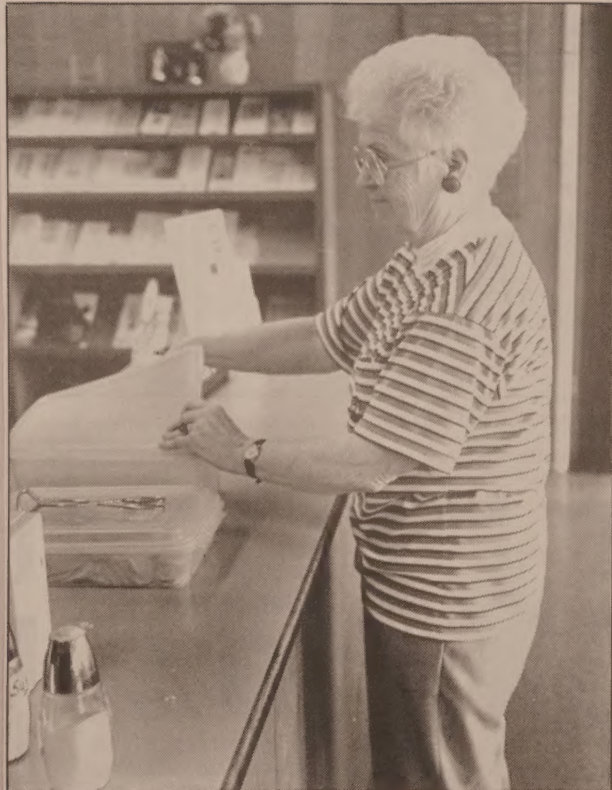
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REFRESHMENTS — Maxine Smith checks snacks at the Astoria Senior Center where daily activities, visiting, and special events, plus coffee, tea and cookies are always available.

(Signal photo by Linda Lanham)

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The next Music Rendezvous in Astoria will be at 7 p.m. on July 9. Come and bring a friend and some goodies to share if you can for intermission.

Wednesday's at Warrenton Community Center, is senior citizen's get-together.

Come - we'd like your input on our future plans. Coffee and cookies are 10 a.m.

The center is located at on S.W. Third Street

-Contributed by Marcella Lindsey

Astoria hosts musical

Astoria seniors held their monthly Music Rendezvous Aug. 13 at the Senior Center, 1111 Exchange Street.

Ten musicians played. Those participating were Rusty Anderson on the electric organ; Nethaneel Christensen on the violin and vocals; Clarence Hadley from Long Beach, Wash. played the violin; Andy Honcharenko played violin and mouth harp; Estelle Ishmael played accordion; Norman Junes played harmonica, told funny stories and was announcer for the evening; Bob Kier played Violin; Irene Kier played piano accordion; Lee Lahti played drums; and John Vlastelicia played his old banjo. Joe Kesterson honored several ladies with his good dancing. Homemade refreshments were served during intermission and fellowship time. The next meeting will be Friday Sept. 10 at 7 p.m.

Come and bring a friend and goodies if you can. Everyone is welcome.

Astoria birthday celebration was Aug. 25. Birthdays are celebrated the last Wednesday of each month.

Craft room added at Astoria Senior Center

by Linda Lanham
community editor

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Astoria Seniors have a new craft room, completed in early June at the all day Senior Center located at 1111 Exchange Street.

According to Senior Center President Joyce Corder, the room will be used mostly for ceramics and sewing — both popular activities for years with Astoria seniors.

Both will wait till fall to resume, however, while finishing touches are put on the room.

About 35 to 40 people use the spacious Astoria Senior Center which maintains drop-in hours from 8 a.m. till 4 p.m. every day. Many use the area to meet and talk with friends, play cards or pool, or read the paper.

to call for referrals to other agencies, and some extra services are provided at the center, Corder says.

For example, an attorney is available part time to answer Social Security questions and counsel members on other senior legal issues. A retired nurse and a medic come regularly to check blood pressures.

A tax specialist also spends time at the center in early winter to help seniors with income tax forms.

Corder says seniors from other areas are welcome at the Astoria center, and many do come from as far away as Washington — often using the bus — for a chance to spend time with friends.

Scheduled activities include:

- Exercise group meets at 9:30 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.
- Painting is held Thursday mornings beginning at 10. Participants may continue as long as they wish.
- Birthdays are celebrated at 2 p.m. the last Wednesday of each month.

Coffee, tea, and snacks are always available. Tables accommodate card players, and overstuffed chairs and couches provide for a living room type social setting.

According to Corder, the center actually has about 200 members, and many of those take advantage of special activities, including crafts, plus painting and exercise groups, and a weekly music rendezvous.

No fees are charged for membership or activities. Center Vice President Emily Ivarie, says the city of Astoria maintains the building just for seniors.

Volunteers staff the reception area, keep the coffee brewing, and fill snack servers. Ivarie, herself, answers the phone every day.

Seniors with questions are welcome

• A potluck is held the third Thursday of each month.

•A music rendezvous and social time is held the second Friday of each month

Meals are not served at the center, but seniors are welcome at meals served next door in the Loaves and Fishes church program.

The new craft room will provide plenty of room for ceramics — one of the most popular activities at the center, according to Corder. New shelving will hold individual ceramics projects-in-progress as well as provide space for sewing equipment and supplies.

The room has a kiln, and a one wall filled with outlets for the sewing machines.

Corder says a teacher has always operated the kiln worked with crafters new to ceramics and, and in the fall, someone should be returning to continue the classes. However, she noted, the former teacher has had health problems and will not be returning.



MILLIE'S 90 - Millie Bosshart turned 90 on May 9 and celebrated her birthday with a cake and more on May 10 during the Monday noon Senior dinner at the Warrenton Community Center.

(Signal photo by Linda Lanham)

Lemon Poppyseed Cake made by Marcella Lindsey

Millie celebrates her 90th

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By Marcella Lindsey

One of Warrenton's early pioneers celebrated her 90th birthday last Sunday.

Emilie (Millie) Bosshart was born to Jacob and Anna Bosshart on May 9, 1903, in Warrenton and has spent her entire life here.

Millie's parents were married in Astoria in 1890 and one of their wedding gifts, a lovely mantel clock, is presently on her mantel. Millie had two brothers, Jacob and Rudolph, and two sisters, Anna and Elizabeth. Millie was the youngest and was born in the old Carver house, located behind the large school house on S.W. Alder Avenue, between S.W. 1st and the highway.

The family moved to the house at 165 S.W. Alder Avenue, and in 1925 Millie

and her sister Anna and husband, Allen Tetlow, purchased the home she presently occupies at 555 S.W. Main in Warrenton. The house was built in 1912 with lumber made at the old Smiley Lampert Mill.

Millie went to work as a secretary for the old Smiley Lampert Mill in 1920. It was located on the Skipanon River near where the Mooring Basin is now. She worked there until they closed in 1925, and then went to work for the old Kelly Mill until it burned down in 1927. She then went to work for the old Prouty Mill, which was located where Cavenham Mill is now, until her retirement in 1962.

Millie computed the cargo on the first ship to come into the Skipanon River Channel. She was known for

walking a mile to work each morning, starting at 7:40 a.m. to be at work at 8 a.m. At noon, she rode home with her brother Rudolph for lunch, then walked back to work, picking up her mail on the way. She walked home after work, making a total of three miles a day. She is still as stately as she was when I first saw her walking to work over 50 years ago.

Millie chose to stay in Warrenton and work so she could be near her family and friends. Her sister Anna, who she lived with, had a daughter, Anna Marie, who died at age 41, leaving four children, whom Millie helped raise like her own children. She loves to work in her flower beds and loves to entertain company. Everyone who has lived in War-



renton very long knows Millie and loves her. When visiting her, she loves to have you sign her solid Myr-

tlewood Guest Book, which she started in 1942.

Happy Birthday, Millie!

Millie celebrates ninety

Ninety years is a long time for anybody, but to still be going strong after that many years is a tribute.

The tribute in this case goes to Warrenton resident Millie Bosshart.

An active senior, Millie celebrated her ninetieth birthday on May 10 with other seniors who meet regularly at the Warrenton Community Center.

Though the celebration was one day after the actual date of her birthday, the weekly senior dinner offered a chance for everyone to join in for some cake and all the birthday trimmings.

It was wonderful how people responded," said Millie, who has lived in Warrenton all her life.

"You should see all the flowers," she added.

As a special honor, organist Keith Mendenhall came to Warrenton to play for the party.

Millie, or Emilie as she is known formally, was the daughter of Jacob and Anna Bosshart, who both came to Warrenton from Europe and were married in Astoria in 1890.

Millie's mantel still displays a clock given to her parents as a wedding gift.

Millie was the youngest of five children and was born in the old Carver House located behind the early school on S.W. Alder Avenue between SW 1st and Highway 101.

The school eventually became the Warrenton Church of Christ, but the building has since been torn down.

In 1925 Millie and her sister Anna and Anna's husband, Allen Tetlow, purchased the home Millie still occupies at 555 SW Main. The house was built in 1912 with lumber made at the old Smiley Lampert Mill.

When Anna's only daughter died at the age of 41, Millie helped raise her four children who are still her "family."

"Really, they take care of me," she says. "They love me and care for me."

Though some of her nieces and nephews have moved to the Portland area, she sees them often.

Millie sees many people often. She is known for her friendliness, and even attends church twice on Sunday. In the morning she takes part in the Methodist service, and in the evening she goes to the Baptist Church where, she explains, she has an opportunity to be more active.

She's frequently out visiting, and according to Marcella Lindsey of the Warrenton Community Center, "everyone who knows her loves her."

She has no plans to leave Warrenton her home for nearly a century.

"I wouldn't live any place else," she explains.

Changes have come to Warrenton over the years, says Millie, who saw the town grow rapidly when the mills opened.

"The town was maintained better then," she remembers, but also recalls the very early days when there were plank roads and wood sidewalks.

In the past the population was more stationary, as well, she says.

It was in the mills that Millie worked for 40 years as a secretary. She began in the Smiley Lampert Mill - located on the Skipanon River near the current site of the mooring basin - in 1920. The operation closed in 1925, and she moved on to the former Kelly Mill. When that one burned in 1927, she went to work at the old Prouty Mill, located where the present Cavenham Mill now stands. She retired from there in 1962.

According to Lindsey, it was Millie who figured the cargo on the first ship that sailed into the Skipanon River, and

that job remained hers until her retirement. Those around Warrenton remember she walked a mile to work each morning and another mile home. She rode home for lunch with her brother, but walked back.

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Millie Bosshart 1990
at the center.



May 1992

Millie Bosshart
90th
birthday at
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community center



In addition to her Community Center and church activities, an 8-room house and plenty of flower beds keep Millie busy now.

Visitors are also frequent, and to remember each visit, Millie loves to have friends sign her Myrtlewood guest book, which records names back to 1942.

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Marion Schultz celebrates 93 years in Warrenton

by Marcella Lindsey

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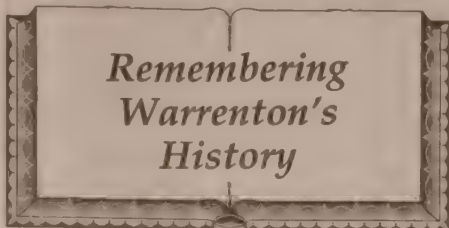
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Marion Shultz: Descendent of Warrenton founder

By Marcella Lindsey

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Happy 93rd birthday, Marion!

The man who grows pumpkins for children came to Warrenton in 1912

by Marcella Lindsey

Many people in the Warrenton area know Hank Willener as the man who grows pumpkins for children to pick at Halloween.

Henry "Hank" Willener was born Oct. 29, 1911 in Nampa, Idaho. When he was only six months old, he moved with his parents, Chris and Louise Bertha Willener and older brother Ed to Warrenton and lived out in the Perkins Road area. Later on the family built a large home just across the track on N.E. King Street near where Bergersons are now building on East Harbor Drive.

The Willener family raised cattle and dairy cows. Hank's father was a Swiss Cheese maker by trade and spent a good deal of his time working in Washington. Hank's younger brother Johnny was born in Astoria.

Hank attended school the same schools in Warrenton that Millie Bosshart, Marion (Warren) Schultz and Clarence Sigurdson attended earlier.

When he was about 12 years old Hank started working with Jacob Bosshart Jr, Jake taught him how to drive his wood truck and also how to butcher cattle.



HANK WILLENER WITH YOUNG PUMPKIN PICKERS FROM GRAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

At 14, Hank was butchering cattle for 75 cents a head and bought himself a Model T Ford.

One time he and some friends were digging for clams to sell to the Sigurdson Clam Cannery on the Skippanon River.

Clarence Sigurdson found a jumbo crab and took great care to get it home to show his wife. While he was weighing in the clams, Hank drove a big spike through the jumbo crab and Clarence got very angry with him, Hank remembers everyone got a good laugh out of it but Clarence.

At 15, Hank was butchering cattle for both Jacob Bosshart Jr. and George Warren, but in his last year in school he decided he wanted to apply for a scholarship to be a veterinarian. To do it, would have to go to Seaside High School.

His family was raising cattle on a farm on the west side of the Necanicum River south of Seaside. But the depression hit, and Hank gave up the idea of college. He was doing quite well on a meat route, though.

In 1931 Hank's father was walking along the Seaside highway and was killed by a hit and run driver. Hank continued his meat route and also bought and sold cattle. He bought 40 head of beef when a California outfit was paying \$90 per head. But during the Depression, the price dropped down to \$10 a head.

Hank tells of losing his boat once when he and Archie Olson were digging for clams. They had a small boat, and got caught by the tide. Clarence Sigurdson parked his truck, put his boat in the water, and worked

his way out with a line to save them,

Shortly after Chris Willener's death, the family moved back to their large home in Warrenton and continued their dairy and cattle farm.

In the early years real estate was booming and people from the East Coast were snatching up 50 by 100 lots sight unseen.

Hank bought property to run his 200 head of beef cattle on at \$7.50 a lot. He also had a dairy farm with 50 head of cows.

His barn off of East Second Street just behind the old Plummer house, he says, is the largest in Clatsop County.

In 1937 Hank married Dorothy Johnson of Seaside and they lived in the big Willener family home until the construction of their own home in 1939 at 1010 East Harbor Drive.

The house was built by Henry Coyle and Bryan Sandford in only six weeks.

In the 1940s Hank ran 500 traps for beaver, mink, muskrats and otter. His traps were set all the way from Brownsmead to Muddy Creek on Hamlet route in Seaside. He worked his traps 12 to 18 hours a day, starting at 4 a.m. and working until 10 or 11 p.m. doing 125 traps a day. It took him four days to cover all his traps. He hired Vernon Hart and Sam Moore to skin his animals for him and paid them 25 cents for each pelt.

He sold the pelts to a buyer from New York and said he made an average of \$10,000 in a three month season. The animals were quite plentiful then and Clarence Sigurdson said he emptied his traps morning and evening right in our area.

Hank's wife Dorothy, taught school

in the local area all of their married life. They have one son, Henry Jr. who now has a 13-year-old daughter and 12-year-old son — grandpa's pride and joy.

Hank has 50 years of picture albums, many of them of his fishing and hunting trips. He remembers he used to get sacks full of fish on the Upper Youngs River with my step father, Einar Rostwold and Benny Davis.

He remembers hunting was also very good until elk season was closed for 20 years. But at one point, three carloads of elk were shipped in from Wyoming, and Hank and his five companions got an elk.

In his home is a table made by Carl Pederson, made of four sets of deer antlers, on the walls he has two mounted deer heads and four sets of antlers.

Another event Hank remembers was tearing down the old Flavel Hotel with George Kelly in 1937. The three-story, 320-room hotel was located near the river between Bioproducts on N.W. Warrenton Drive and Nygaard Logging Operations. Hank and Kelly received lumber free for doing the job.

For over 50 years Hank has planted a large pumpkin patch for the school children to pick at Halloween. He says he grew up to 3,000 pumpkins a season and the children would come by school bus each year to choose their pumpkin.

He has many posters and letters from children who have been to his pumpkin patch.

It is getting harder for him to plant and tend so many pumpkins now, so this year he traded fish for two truck-

loads of pumpkins to be brought in so he would have enough for everyone.

Hank's wife was hit by a car and killed just before Christmas in 1975, but Hank continues to carry on the pumpkin tradition for the children. He said he also keeps candy and ice cream in the house all the time for the neighborhood children who to visit him.

Long time Warrenton resident Marcella Lindsey researches and writes about local history. Community Center.



REPLICA— John Vlastelicia built this model of the boat he once fished the Columbia River from. He cut planking for the body, just as is done in building real boats. The tiny net cut from old fishing net Vlastelicia once used has hand carved floats

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Fishing the Columbia fills memories of Vlastilicia

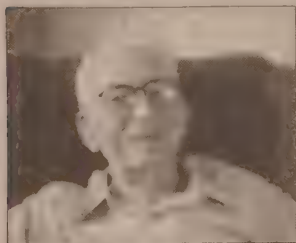
by Linda Lanham

Who is the man who plays the banjo/mandolin for music rendezvous in Astoria and Svensen?

It's John Vlastilicia, and if you've never seen a banjo/mandolin before — neither has he.

Vlastilicia celebrated his 90th birthday this summer with about 200 friends gathered at the Wickiup Inn in Svensen. He's been around the north Clatsop County area for all of those 90 years, and for 70 years he's been playing his banjo/mandolin.

It was given to him by a Filipino who worked along the railroad in Clifton, the



JOHN VLASTILICIA

Columbia river town where he grew up. He began playing for dances and get togethers among friends and hasn't stopped yet.

He says Clifton was an active fishing town during the first years of the 1900s. Yugoslavians, Greeks, and Italians made up the population of fishing families, who had come for the plentiful salmon that once filled the river.

Vlastilicia's parents came from Yugoslavia in the 1890s. He says back in those days, the United States was the place to go for a good life and Europeans were heading for all parts of the country to seek their fortune.

His father had fished in the old country, so took up fishing in the new country, as well.

Gill netting was the method most fishermen in Clifton followed.

"We'd set our nets on the tides and let them drift for an hour or so," he explains. "If any fish were around, they'd get caught in the nets."

At first, quite a few fish were around, and gill netters could pull in 500 pounds at once, he says. But times changed, and Vlastilicia says they began to see the fisheries being depleted.

He attributes the loss of salmon in the Columbia to dams and pollution that prevent the fish from entering their spawning streams and healthy fish from hatching.

He says gill netting followed even ear-

bar crossed the river. Horses were used to drag in the filled seines. Traps came next and were set from pilings along the beach.

As the fish stocks dwindled, the government banned the sein and then the traps, until finally all commercial fishing was limited to shorter seasons. Now, he notes, almost no commercial salmon fishing is allowed.

Fishing boats sat idle on the river, as many do today, he says, noting, "some (fishermen) has quite a bit invested."

To continue their trade, some take their boats to Alaska where in a month's sockeye season they can make enough money to live the rest of the year. But permits to fish Alaska waters cost about \$100,000, and according to Vlastilicia, no new ones are being issued.

"The only way you can get one is to buy it from another fisherman," he says.

"As the fishing industry died, so did the town of Clifton, which Vlastilicia explains, belonged to Bumble Bee.

"In the early days Bumble Bee owned the boats, and you could lease them," he says. Bumble Bee also bought all the fish which was processed at their cannery in Astoria.

When Bumble Bee left the town was virtually abandoned. According to Vlastilicia, nine fishermen bought the town and maintain a warehouse there, but there are only two houses left where once about 100 families lived.

In the first half of the century, Clifton thrived not only as a fishing town but as a base for logging camps that dotted both side of the Columbia.

"A train ran twice a day from Portland to Astoria and down to Seaside," says Vlastilicia, who explains it ran right through Clifton and brought mail to be distributed across the river in Kathlamet, as well as supplies and passengers for delivery at Clifton. A ferry connected the north and south banks of the river.

Though no train served the Washington communities, two sternwheelers, the "Undine" and the "Lurline" carried supplies and passengers down the river every day.

He explains loggers going back and forth from their camps were frequent passengers.

Even logging was different in those days, he explains. Camps were built near creeks and sloughs since logs had to be floated down to the river for transport to the mills. Vlastilicia explains steam engines, called "donkeys" pulled logs out of the woods and into the creeks.

But logging was an active industry and one big mill was located in upptown Astoria.

Astoria also had three canneries in those days

Vlastilicia, who adds the population of Astoria and other Columbia River communities hasn't grown since his first memories of the area.

"Most of the old Victorian houses were

built before my time," he adds.

During the time he fished, Vlastilicia says gill netting was no way to get rich, but it brought fishermen a good living.

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Vlastilicia: 50 years on the Columbia

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"Even during the depression we got along good. There were only about three months with no fishing," he recalls.

Vlastilicia grew up in a float house built along the banks of the river. He joined his father fishing after completing the eighth grade at the Clifton school, and later bought his own boat.

He fished for 50 years. He moved from Clifton and settled in Knappa with his wife Velma, who taught school there for 50 years.

He has two sons, ten grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Part of his family now lives in St Helens, and Vlastilicia says they've asked him to move closer, but he's happier still living along the Columbia — now in Svensen — where he's been for so many years.

Sigurdson works early canneries along the Northwest

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a cannery there.

But tight money hit again during World War II. When Sigurdson was refused a raise by the cannery owner, he went to work in Tacoma as a pipe fitter's assistant.

"As an assistant, I saw that a lot of the pipe fitters couldn't read the blue prints. So in a couple of days I was teaching them about blueprints; in a few more days I was a pipefitter rather than an assistant; and in a month I was teaching pipefitting," he recalls.

He was making \$139 more a month than he had as foreman of the cannery, and in the 1930's that allowed him to save up for his own cannery.

But before opening Bell Buoy, he would return to working as foreman of canneries in several other Washington towns and one spot in Alaska.

Sigurdson notes during the 43 years he operated Bell Buoy, it made a profit in all but three. He sold Bell Buoy to retire 4 years ago.

He has seen much of Clatsop county's history through his own eyes, and much of that he's recorded in one published book, "Raised by the Sea," and a number of other writings.

Though it is out of print now, "Raised by the Sea" is available at libraries in Seaside, Astoria, Cannon Beach, and other parts of the state.

The book includes Sigurdson's memories of his early days in Warrenton, along with a number of photographs dating to the turn of the century.

He has also compiled histories of Clatsop County industries, including the clamming industry and the spruce division of the logging industry and wrote an account of the sinking of the dredge "Netoma." That incident, he recalls, happened about the time he was working on the Skipanon River dredging project.

Copies of most of his work can be purchased from the Seaside Historical Museum.



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Cover story

Clarence Sigurdson remembers "how it was"

by Linda Lanham
for Pacific Coast Seniors

During the panic of 1895 the mills in North Clatsop County were down and the population of Warrenton dipped to about 400, according to Clarence Sigurdson, who speaks of turn-of-the-century recessions and mill closures as easily as if he were talking about recent decades.

Clarence Sigurdson was born in Warrenton on Sept. 14, 1901. He likes to note it was the day President McKinley died.

He's had a hand in much of the industry that built the area, but fish processing became his specialty and led to the business he finally operated for 43 years.

Sigurdson opened Bell Buoy Crab Co. in 1946. He explains he had 2 brothers crab fishing near Seaside. So in 1945 he bought property and a house in Seaside and a year later began receiving crab and clams from local fishermen and harvesters.

Canning clams had been a family tradition since Sigurdson's father opened his first clam cannery in Warrenton at a time when cans were still being soldered shut. Clarence recalls it was about 1907 when the modern method of closing the cans with seams was introduced.

But before he was to open his own business, Clarence would work in ten different canneries up and down the Northwest coast.

WEST COAST ROOTS

Sigurdson's parents both came to the United States from Iceland and met and married in Mountain, North Dakota.

Clarence explains they had homesteaded in North Dakota, but most

of the good land was already gone; what they had was "mostly rocks," he says.

In 1888, after three crop failures, they headed out west to Sheridan, Ore., hoping for better land.

The senior Sigurdson cut oak for firewood in the winter in Sheridan, gill netted for fish out of Astoria beginning in the spring, then headed back to North Dakota in August to operate a thrashing machine.

Another of his projects was a boat service. According to Clarence, every day his father ferried freight and passengers from Astoria across the Columbia to coastal towns in Washington.

The family eventually settled in Warrenton where Sigurdson's Landing and the cannery were built on the Skipanon River.

Clarence recalls clams were plentiful all along the Oregon and Washington coasts in the first half of the century.

"In 1926 they were taking a million pounds of clams from the beach in a 3-month season," says Sigurdson.

The clams were apparently in demand and becoming renowned, as well. In 1926 the Sigurdsons' clams won medals at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in St. Louis and at the Lewis and Clark Festival in Portland.

The twelve Sigurdson children went



RECALLING EARLY INDUSTRIES - Clarence Sigurdson was part of the early clam industry in Clatsop County and had a hand in other area industries. He has written a book about growing up on the North Coast at the turn of the century and several histories of area development.

(Signal photo by Linda Lanham)

to elementary school in Warrenton, where two different schools took them through the eighth grade. For high school they would have to go to Astoria, but Clarence began working, instead, first as a "whistle punk" for a logging company.

He explains logging was a growing industry in Clatsop County in the '20's, and people were signing up for jobs on the crews. The whistle-punk blew the whistle that went by wire into the woods to give directions to the men.

He also recalls working on the dredge that opened the Skipanon River.

He explains before the Skipanon River was dredged in 1920, boats couldn't pass from the river to the ocean.

Although fishing boats fitted with sails headed out of Astoria by the thousands, none could leave from Warrenton. To open the river, citizens approved a \$250,000 bond for dredging to be done by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

However, when the city tried to sell the bonds, they were told all the property in Warrenton wasn't worth the money they were trying to borrow through bonding.

So to solve the problem, residents voted to double the value of all the property in town so the bonds would go through.

According to Sigurdson, Warrenton never had a commercial fishing fleet, but recreational fishing brought the boats that use the mooring basin today.

THE CLAM CIRCUIT

At the age of 20, Sigurdson moved to Copalis Beach, Wash., to become foreman of a clam cannery and then moved to Port Townsend as foreman of

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FIRST CANNERY - Clarence Sigurdson's father opened his first cannery on the Skipanon River in Warrenton and was soon winning medals for his clams.

(Photo from "Raised by the Sea" by Clarence Sigurdson)

Who planted those trees at Fort Stevens?

by Linda Lanham
for Pacific Coast Seniors

Elmer Farrell looks back on his days in the Warrenton unit of the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) as a time of fun and friendships, many that never ended.

He was 21 — a boy from the farmlands of Tennessee — when he joined the CCC.

"Things were hard then. There weren't any jobs and the CCC offered three meals a day, a place to stay, and \$35 a month," he recalls.

Twenty-five dollars was sent home to the families of recruits, but the remaining \$5 bought them a good month's worth of off-duty entertainment in those days.

The CCC was created by President Roosevelt in 1933 during the Great Depression to give jobs to young men. They completed hundreds of public works and conservation projects across the country before World War II brought the corps to an end.

Between 1933 and 1941 "CCC boys", as they were known, fought forest fires, thinned trees, cleaned up rivers, and created camp sites and other improvements in National Parks.

Farrell's unit, number 491, planted about 16 miles of beach front with Holland grass — a type of dune grass — and jack pine — small, wind tolerant pines — that together stabilized the land where sand had been blowing freely off the beach.

"In Gearhart the sand was drifting up on houses and covering the windows," Farrell says, adding former CCC supervisors say Coffenberry Lake wouldn't be there today if it hadn't been for the CCC boys.

Farrell explains they planted most of the land that is now Fort Stevens State Park. Trees and grass were planted in rows that stopped the sand movement. Plantings around lakes and swamps saved them from filling in.

The men worked two at a time, quickly covering the long roots of the grass at each juncture where new tufts would quickly sprout. Farrell said working like that, two men could cover an acre a day.

The CCC camp was built in Warrenton, just about where Farrell now lives, near the grade school. There were barracks, an education center, a mess hall, infirmary, and administration building, plus the nursery with a full supply of new grass and pine seedlings.

He says in the early days of Warrenton settlement, ranchers ran herds of cattle across the dunes behind the beach — which he explains, were naturally vegetated until they were grazed down to the loose sand.

The dunes eroded, leaving sand free to blow inland.

The CCC Camps were under the direction of Army officers, and Farrell says Warrenton's company commander,

John Parrott, was a gem, not only at organizing the unit but in working with the men.

According to Farrell, Warrenton was distinguished as one of the finest camps. "We flew the flag (indicating the honor) for six months," he says, then Commander Parrott was sent to the South Pacific, and another camp received the honor.

Among the memorabilia Farrell keeps from his CCC days is a framed letter of commendation from Brigadier General George Marshall, who was an inspector for CCC camps before World War II broke out.

He said Marshall would park his car out of sight, then walk into camp and begin questioning "the scrawniest boy he could find" to be sure the boys were being treated well and receiving good meals.

Once, Marshall came into the infirmary just as Farrell — who had studied to be a first aid assistant in camp — was stitching up a corpsman who had slipped and gashed his head.

"He asked if I was sure I knew what I was doing, and I said, 'Yes sir, I'm just getting him ready for the doctor.'"

"He could see I'd already sewed him up, and I wasn't supposed to do that," recalls Farrell.

Nevertheless, the letter soon arrived from Marshall, commending him on his skill.

Marshall is now known for his ser-

vice in World War II and for creating the post-war Marshall Plan.

Farrell spent six years and nine months in the corps. During his time in Warrenton, he acted as a senior leader which meant he was responsible for lining the men up for roll call, turning in meal counts, and keeping track of his fellow corps members' whereabouts.

Many of the CCC boys came from the Southeast, and many went back after leaving the corps.

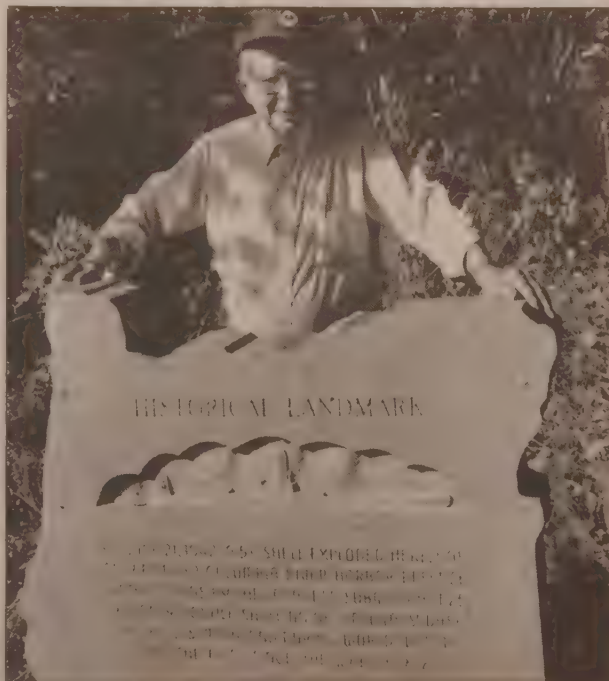
But Farrell stayed. He worked in the shipyards in Astoria during the war, then was production supervisor for San Juan Fish Co. (later to become New England Fish) for 35 years.

Lifelong friendships were formed in the CCC Farrell says. Following their service, the men entered all walks of civilian life, and a few even went on to become millionaires, he adds.

But he also remembers those that went from the CCC into the regular army during World War II and never returned.

Farrell has outlived many of his fellow corpsmen, but those left still get together for reunions. The most recent was held in Warrenton last year.

There Farrell and his fellow corps members could look across the pines at Fort Stevens — all about 50 years old — along with the stabilized lake shores and beach fronts and see the lasting results of work initiated originally to give Depression youth jobs.



WORLD WAR II SHELLS HIT HERE — Elmer Farrell remembers hearing shells whistling up the beach near the Civilian Conservation Corps Camp at Warrenton where he worked on erosion control as a young CCC recruit.
(Photo by Linda Lanham)

"Crazy Eight" behind Warrenton Center

by Marcella Lindsey



Warrenton Community Center became a reality when eight Warrenton senior citizens got together on March 13, 1979, to discuss how

Warrenton needed a Senior Center; the group formed a Senior Citizen's Inc.

They called the group the "Crazy Eight" and in October, 1979, started applying for a Federal Grant.

Members of the group were: Ethel Buchanen, Edna Black, Ethel Sparks, Audrey Pevey, Ida DeRock, Lucille Waddell, Cecil Smith, and Veda Wagner.

In order to get the grant they had to raise the sum of \$59,700. So these ladies started having numerous rummage sales, raffled off many homemade afghans and quilts, had craft and baked food bazaars and many other projects including a "Rock for Dollars" in the tennis court of Warrenton's City park. This project netted \$5,000 in donations. Other contributions and business donations came in, as well.

Smith was killed in an automobile accident and Wagner and Pevey dropped out, but the group took in new members Eileen Thomas, Bessie Nickols and Alice Schwarzenback to replace them.

Dan Newton and, Hillard Hainzinger were made honorary members.

Former Editor Bruce Allen of the Columbia Press reported in February of 1986 that — with the help of ex-commissioner Bob Pollard who worked with seniors in planning and strategy for the grant application; ex-city engineer Jim Rankin, who made sure grant preparation was thorough; and the late commissioner George Cooper, who lent valuable help and support — the project became a reality.

On Feb. 12, 1986, the City of Warrenton received word that the grant had been approved and Warrenton would be getting their HUD Block Grant in the sum of \$249,500 for the construction of Warrenton Community Center which is now located on Third Street in Warrenton City Park.

The building was dedicated March 27, 1988.

The senior room is to the left as you come in the building, and all seniors are encouraged to come out on Wednesdays and take part in gatherings at 1 p.m. Senior pot lucks are on the second Wednesday of each month at noon, and senior dinners are at noon on Mondays and Thursdays.

We have a friendly group. Come join us!

Marcella Lindsey is an active senior volunteer in Warrenton. She researches and writes about North C

Astoria hosts musical

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Astoria seniors held their monthly Music Rendezvous Aug. 13 at the Senior Center, 1111 Exchange Street.

Ten musicians played. Those participating were Rusty Anderson on the electric organ; Nethaneel Christensen on the violin and vocals; Clarence Hadley from Long Beach, Wash. played the violin; Andy Honcharenko played violin and mouth harp; Estelle Ishmael played accordion; Norman Junes played harmonica, told funny stories and was announcer for the evening; Bob Kier played Violin; Irene Kier played piano accordion; Lee Lahti played drums; and John Vlastalicia played his old banjo. Joe Kesterson honored several ladies with his good dancing. Homemade refreshments were served during intermission and fellowship time. The next meeting will be Friday Sept. 10 at 7 p.m.

Come and bring a friend and goodies if you can. Everyone is welcome.

Astoria birthday celebration was Aug. 25. Birthdays are celebrated the last Wednesday of each month.

Astoria seniors sponsor music

On Friday, Sept. 10, Astoria seniors held their monthly Music Rendezvous at the Senior Center.

Musicians included Rusty Anderson on the electric organ; Clarence Hadley from Long Beach, Wash., on the violin; Fran Hartill on the violin; Andy Honcharenko playing guitar and harmonica; Dale Johnson playing violin; Norman June on mouth harp; Bill Leonard playing mouth harp; Boon Salsbery playing guitar and singing; Bob Swenson also playing guitar and singing, and serving as master of ceremonies for the evening, as well. Becky Taylor played harp and sang.

Refreshments were shared during intermission.

Next meeting will be Friday, Oct. 8, at 7 p.m. Bring your instrument, a friend and goodies to share if you can.

Astoria Birthday celebration was held Wednesday, Sept. 29, at 2 p.m.

Meet former "Crazy Eight" member Ethel Buchanen

by Marcella Lindsey

Ethel Buchanen is one of the "Crazy Eight" group that worked hard and was instrumental in obtaining a Federal Grant from HUD, making the dream of a Warrenton Community Center a reality.

Ethel was born in Turtle Lake, Wis., on July 9, 1908. In 1917, her parents, Pat and Anna Felvy and six children moved to Warrenton where Mr Felvy built a family home at the current address of 735 Seventh Place N.W.

Ethel's father helped construct the old Prouty Mill on the west bank of the Skipanon River, and her mother and one sister worked at the cannery in Hammond.

Ethel remembers walking the plank road to deliver milk to the old Flavel Hotel when she was only 11 years old.

She said on the right side of 14th Street she passed small buildings that housed Chinese workers who worked for Barby's cannery. That cannery was owned by George Flavel and built at Tansy Point across the track from the hotel on the waterfront.

Ethel went to Hammond school the first two years and then to Warrenton Grade School located on S.W. Cedar between Seventh and Ninth streets. The grade school was downstairs and high school was upstairs.

Five girls and five boys graduated with Ethel.

When she was 14, she went to work in the Barby Cannery. They didn't ask for a birth certificate and assumed she was 16. The wages were \$5 per day for top workers.

On June 18, 1927, Ethel married William Ray Buchanen and had four daughters before she and William divorced in 1947.



"CRAZY EIGHT" — Ethel Buchanen is shown above in 1981 during the Rock-a-thon held in the city park to raise money for the Warrenton Community Center.

(Courtesy photo)

Andy Honcharenko:

Andy Honcharenko has found the end of the rainbow.

No snickering, now. Honcharenko might take some ribbing about rainbows from his pals at the Astoria Senior Center, where he's a regular, plays a fierce game of "mediocre" pool and can explain to visitors exactly how he built the car models on display there.

Honcharenko has been in Astoria since 1941, not including the years he served in World War II.

"My philosophy is this," Honcharenko explained early one morning before most seniors had had their fourth cup of coffee. "The end of the rainbow is right here. It's what you do here."

Friends have tried to tug at the 86-year-old's roots. "Why don't you go to California? Arizona? See Alaska?"

But home is where the heart is.

Home for Honcharenko began in Max, N.D., his birthplace. "Where men are men and women like it."

His parents immigrated from the Ukraine when they were teen-agers. A Russian marriage in those days was like this, Honcharenko said:

"My daughter good."

"My son good."

"They should get married."

So they did. Honcharenko can

read, speak and write Russian

Not that North Dakota isn't the hot spot where every youngster wants to be, ... but with a war looming, Honcharenko says, he knew he was going to get drafted and wanted to see the West before he did. So, he made like Lewis and Clark and in 1941 found Astoria.

Honcharenko worked at Gallant Automobile for three months before the call came. He returned to North Dakota, passed his physical and started a three-year ordnance tour that took him to North Africa and Germany.

"After my discharge, I went home for about two weeks then I came back," Honcharenko said. He met and married Iva Mae ("She's the best wife I ever had. I tell her so every day.") and worked as an auto mechanic (Johnson Motors for 18 years) until his retirement in 1976.

Since then, no scrap metal has been safe from Honcharenko. His mechanical mind and resourceful hunting for odd parts has created some stunning replicas of old-time automobiles, wagons and sleighs on display at the senior center in impressive

glass cabinets, which Honcharenko learned to make in shop class.

"I've never bought anything," he said. The models' parts might have come from a wrecked auto, confiscated siding from apartment repairs ... or a Longshoreman's picnic.

"I talked with a lady at the picnic and saw they were eating corn on a stick," Honcharenko said.

"I thought, 'You know? These would make good wheels!' You know what that lady did? She said, 'You wait here,' and went through every table afterward pulling out the sticks for me."

Honcharenko is in between model projects at the moment, but tries to come to the senior center every day.

"To me, this is my second home," he says.

Another favorite daily activity is shooting the breeze at C&C Body Shop. "It makes my day; they're nice guys."

Honcharenko is a nice guy, too.

He once answered The Daily Astorian's "Point of View" question of the week with this sensible advice: "The only way to solve a problem is to have a nice discussion."

— Jill Foreman

Everyday people
Getting to know your neighbors



JILL FOREMAN — The Daily Astorian
Andy Honcharenko is a familiar face at the Astoria Senior Center, which he calls his second home. Honcharenko took a class and learned to build the cabinets behind him that hold his collection of made-from-scratch models.

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Astoria Senior News

By Marcella Lindsey

On Oct. 8, the monthly Music Rendezvous was held at the Astoria Senior Center. There were 14 musicians participating for the enjoyment of a very good size crowd of old and young people. The musicians were John Vlastalicia on banjo and mandolin, Clarence Hadley on guitar, Andy Honcharenko on guitar, Rusty Anderson on electric organ, Norman

Junes on harmonica, Bob Swenson on guitar, vocals and master of ceremonies, Lee Lahti on drums, Nathaniel Christensen on violin and vocals, Bill Leonard on mouth harp, Estelle Ishmael on accordion, Dale Johnson on violin and guitar, and Boone Salsberry on guitar and vocals.

Lots of goodies were enjoyed. Next meeting is Friday, Nov. 12, at 7 p.m.

MUSIC RENDEZVOUS IN ASTORIA — On Friday, Oct. 8 the monthly Music Rendezvous was held at Astoria Senior Center. There were 14 musicians and a good sized crowd of people both young and old. Musicians participating were John Vlastalicia on the banjo and mandolin, Clarence Hadley, guitar; Andy Honcharenko, guitar; Rusty Anderson, electric organ; Norman Junes, harmonica; Bob Swenson, guitar, vocals and master of ceremonies; Lee Lahti, drums; Nathaniel Christensen, violin and vocals; Bill Leonard on mouth harp; Estelle Ishmael on accordion; Dale Johnson, violin and guitar; and Boone Salsberry, guitar and vocals. Goodies were shared at intermission and fellowship time. Next meeting is Nov. 12 at 7 p.m., come, bring a friend and some goodies to share. (Courtesy photo)

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Astoria Senior News

By Marcella Lindsey

On Nov. 12, the monthly Music Rendezvous was held at Astoria Senior Center. There were 14 musicians entertaining a very good size crowd. Those participating were: Bob Swenson, Master of Ceremonies, did great. He also played guitar and sang. Rusty Anderson played electric organ; Phyllis Bennett, guitar and vocals; Nathaniel Christensen, violin and vocals; Fran Hartill, violin; Andy Honcharenko, guitar and mouth harp; Dale Johnson,

guitar, violin and yodeling; Norman Junes, harmonica; Phil Keim, guitar and vocals; Lee Lahti, drums; Bill Leonard, harmonica; Audrey Paetow, accompanied Rusty on the piano; Don Petersen, harp and vocals.

During intermission and fellowship time, visitor Al Anderson, Rusty's son, entertained us on the electric organ as we enjoyed the goodies. Next meeting will be Dec. 10, at 7 p.m.

Astoria Senior News

By Marcella Lindsey

On Dec. 10, the Christmas Music Rendezvous was held at the Astoria Senior Center. There were nine musicians there due to the weather conditions.

Those musicians participating were: Rusty Anderson on electric organ, Clarence Hadley from Long Beach on violin, Andy Honcharenko on guitar, mouth harp and his saw, Norman Junes on harmonica, Audrey Paetow played Christmas songs on the piano, Chuck Paetow operated the microphones, we all sang Christmas songs together, Don Petersen played songs he had composed on his omnichord, Boone Salsberry played guitar and sang, Becky Taylor played harp and sang along, and Bob Swenson was our master of ceremonies and played guitar and sang. During intermission and fellowship time, Rusty Anderson played the electric organ.

The next music rendezvous will be Jan. 14, at 7 p.m.

Astoria Center holds musical night

On Friday, Nov. 12, the monthly Music Rendezvous was held at Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange Street. There were 14 musicians entertaining a very good size crowd. Those participating were: Bob Swenson, guitar and vocals, and also master of ceremonies; Rusty Anderson, electric organ; Phyllis Bennett, guitar and vocals; Nathaniel Christensen, violin and vocals; Fran Hartill, violin; Andy Honcharenko, guitar and mouth harp; Dale Johnson,

guitar and yodeling; Norman Junes, harmonica; visitor Phil Keim, guitar and vocals; Lee Lahti, drums; Bill Leonard, harmonica; Audrey Paetow accompanied Rusty Anderson on the piano; Don Petersen on harp and vocals.

During intermission and fellowship time, visitor, Al Anderson, Rusty's son, entertained us on the electric organ as we enjoyed goodies and fellowship.

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Rendezvous stage for anniversary waltz

Joe and Evy Kesters danced the anniversary waltz together on Friday, Feb. 11, to music provided by the volunteer Music Rendezvous musicians at the Astoria Senior Center.

The rendezvous brought out a large audience.

Musicians were: Nathaniel

Christensen, Fran Hartill, Andy Honcharenko, Norman Junes, Chuck Newton, Bob Swenson and J.S. Walker.

The next Music Rendezvous will be Friday, March 11, at 7 p.m. Please bring goodies to share with friends at intermission and meet new friends.



NEW AARP OFFICERS — Lewis and Clark Chapter AARP officers for 1994 installed Dec. 23 are (from left) Ben Niedermeyer, director; Margaret Niedermeyer, director; Dave Mathae, treasurer; Thelma Rodriguez, director; John Hourigan, second vice president; Sr. Patricia McCann, first vice president; and Walt Snodgrass, president. Not shown are Ardeth Hourigan, secretary and Robert Best, outgoing president and current director. The next AARP meeting will be on Thursday, Jan. 27 at 1:30 p.m. at the Seaside Community Center, 1225 Avenue A.

(Photo by Linda Lanham)

Astoria celebrates with holiday music

Nine musicians played for the Christmas Music Rendezvous at Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St., on Dec. 10.

Those participating were: Bob Swenson, master of ceremonies for the evening, who also played guitar and sang; Clarence Madley from Long Beach, Wash., violin; Andy Honcharenko playing guitar, mouth harp and saw; Norman Junes, harmonica;

Audrey Paetow played Christmas songs on piano, with her husband Chuck Paetow

on vocals and we all joined in singing.

Don Petersen played songs he had composed on his omnichord and sang; Boone Salsberry played guitar and sang, and his daughter Becky Taylor played harp and sang with her father.

During intermission and fellowship time, Rusty Anderson played the electric organ.

Next rendezvous in Astoria will be Jan. 14 at 7 p.m. come and bring some goodies to share.

Astoria Senior News

By Marcella Lindsey

On Feb. 11, at the Astoria Senior Center, Joe and Evy Kesters danced the Anniversary Waltz together as they celebrated their 60th anniversary. The volunteer Musical Rendezvous provided the music.

There was a very good sized audience, and the musicians were Nathaniel Christensen, Fran Hartill, Andy Honcharenko, Norman Junes, Chuck and Audrey Paetow, Don Petersen, Dan Newton, Bob Swenson and J.S. Walker.

The next Music Rendezvous will be Friday, March 11, at 7 p.m. Please bring goodies to share with friends at intermission and meet new friends.

Hank Willener's pumpkin patch opens to children throughout Clatsop County

by Marcella Lindsey
Warrenton Senior Correspondent

On October 29, long time Warrenton resident, Henry "Hank" Willener celebrated his 82nd birthday by sharing his pumpkin patch of 3,000 pumpkins with the school children of Clatsop County. It is a tradition that he and his late wife Dorothy started over 50 years ago.

From Oct. 13 through 29 bus loads of school children came for their Halloween pumpkins.

The sweatshirt Hank is wearing was made by the Philadelphia Preschool and presented to Hank by 30 students who came to pick out their special pumpkins. The Hilltop Learning Center and a Brownie troop came the same day.

On Oct. 14, Svensen Preschool came.



Hank Willener

Oct. 15, Warrenton Grade School had 12 bus loads of over 600 students throughout the day, assisted by Warrenton Police directing traffic.

On Oct. 19, Gearhart Preschool and grade school and Englebreton Preschool came; Oct. 21, Cannon Beach Children's Center, Gearhart Grade School, Astor School, Cannon Beach Preschool, Gearhart Preschool, Early Child School Education and Astoria Preschool; Oct. 22, Gray Elementary School, Lewis and Clark Christian Academy, Star of the Sea and Mrs. Verney's Lewis and Clark sixth grade came; Oct. 25, Jewell Kindergarten; Oct. 26, Seaside Heights Kindergarten; Oct. 27, Astoria Preschool and Seaside Step by Step Preschool; Oct. 28 and 29, several bus loads not listed came.

The seniors that attend the senior dinners at the Community Center wish to thank Hank for the produce given to us during the summer and also for the squash and pumpkins this fall. Clatsop Care Center and Crestview Care Center were also recipients of Hank's pumpkins.

Longtime Warrenton resident and "Pumpkin Man", Henry "Hank" Willener, died Feb. 11, 1997, in Portland. He was 85 years old.

Mr. Willener was born Oct. 29, 1911, to Henry and Louise Heinz Willener in Nampa, Idaho. He came to Oregon as a child and the family settled and homesteaded in the Nehalem Valley. They later moved to Astoria, then to Warrenton, Seaside and back to Warrenton. Mr. Willener completed his education in Warrenton and graduated from Warrenton High School.

He went to work for Youngs Bay Lumber Co. following high school and soon became its pond foreman. He later owned and operated his own meat market.

Mr. Willener married Dorothy Johnson in 1934, in Stevenson, Wash. She died earlier.

Before World War I, he worked at Fort Stevens as a fireman until the mid-to-late 1940s. He then started his own

cattle ranch, which he operated until retiring in 1977.

Mr. Willener was a member of the IOOF #243 of Warrenton and served terms on the Warrenton City Commission and Warrenton Planning Commission. He was an avid hunter and fisherman.

Mr. Willener was known as Warrenton's "Pumpkin Man", growing a pumpkin patch at his house for many years for local school children to visit.

His family will remember him as a generous man, loving father and grandfather, and someone they could always talk to. He was their friend.

Mr. Willener is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Henry and Sharon Willener of Sauvie Island, Ore.; a grandson, Curt Willener of Sauvie Island; two granddaughters, Sally Willener of Sauvie Island, and Valerie Willener of Portland; two sisters-in-law, Constance Henningsen of Salem, and

...HANK WILLENER

Nellie Ehler of Portland and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral was Feb. 15, at Hughes-Ransom Mortuary Chapel in Astoria. Committal

followed at Ocean View Cemetery in Warrenton.

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Col. J. P. Willener



Hank Willener remembered
for his love of children

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Perry Andrews looks back on early fishing days

by Marcella Lindsey

Perry Andrews came to Warrenton in 1924.

He had been born in Alton, Oregon County, Missouri (named after the State of Oregon) on March 8, 1900. He was the eldest of seven children, Perry, Posey, Etta, Clara, George, Fred and Eugena.

His brother George and sister Clara Doney are still living in the Warrenton-Hammond area.

In 1918 another family also from Alton, Missouri came to Warrenton: Albert and Martha (Siminton) Doney. They had eight children, and Perry married Dorothy, the youngest of the Doney family. Perry's three sisters also married the Doney boys, and all but one settled in Warrenton-Hammond.

Prior to coming to Warrenton, Perry worked in oil fields, saw mills, wheat fields, was a mail carrier, shipping clerk for Montgomery Ward and also in a jewelry store in Arkansas, Colorado, Oklahoma and Missouri.

Perry worked at the old Kelly Mill and then at Prouty Mill where he collected many stories to tell and scars to show from narrow escapes following accidents at the mill.

One time a saw broke loose, and if Charlie Doney had not hollered at him to move, he would have been cut in half.

In another incident in the early 1930s, my uncle Charlie Doney was working on a head rig cable when the cable slipped and cut off his arm.

According to Perry, mills were running 24 hours a day at that time, and the market was soon flooded with lumber. Sailing boats would load up at the dock which stood about where Bud Charlton now has his cannery — and carry it to Australia.

But within a short time, the mills were shut down to only one shift a day.

Perry and wife Dorothy, along with other family members, first lived in the Yule apartments on Ninth Street. Later



PERRY ANDREWS

Perry sent for his mother and youngest children and they rented a big red clam cannery at the foot of Eighth Street. Perry's oldest daughter Gloria was born in the house next to the cannery.

Perry then built a house out on Dolphin Road next to the house my grandparents Albert and Martha Doney lived.

Perry quit the Prouty Mill in 1938 to go commercial fishing. He bought the crab boat "Rainbow," which he was operating when the Japanese shelled Battery Russell. At that time, lights were not

allowed on boats out fishing. Perry has stories of piloting his boat through mine fields during World War II.

According to Perry, the fish were so plentiful back then that in one hour he towed in 50,000 pounds of fish and had to give some to another boat.

One time, when they were fishing down by Tillamook Rock, the workmen were down below when the boat was shaken by a bomb dropped so close, they thought they had been hit. Another time, anchored without lights, they woke in the morning with a battleship on either side of the boat.

Perry fished out of the "Rainbow, and later the dragger, "Vernoa" which he finally sold to buy the big gray apartment house across from where Warrenton Boat Yard now stands. Next to the Sea Fare Tavern he had a combination hardware-marine store.

At the same time he bought another boat, the "Ruth" for trolling and operated operated fishing boats for others, including the San Juan Cannery.

The Andrews had two more daughters, Barbara (Mrs. Mike) Murphy and Linda Todenhagen, now living in Maine.

In 1950 Perry and Dorothy and daughter

Senior birthdays listed in Warrenton

On Nov. 29 seniors **Hattie Davies** and **Karen Radick** celebrated November birthdays at the Warrenton Community Center.

Also that day, the Rebekahs presented a check of \$83 to Alfonso Fontano, the policeman in charge of the D.A.R.E. program in Warrenton. This was a project of Rebekah Lodge #234 Good of the Order Chairman Ann Farley. The Columbia Press photographer took a picture of them and also of Lucille Adelhart who received of the Thanksgiving basket.

The second Wednesday of every month seniors have a potluck at noon.

ters moved back to S.W. Juniper Street to a place on the five acres of land he had bought.

Perry sold his apartment house and operated his own boats, including the "No Wonder." Several of his nephews got their first experience on the No Wonder.

Later on Perry used his boat to work for the Federal Bureau of Commercial Fisheries for study of behavior of downstream salmon migrants in the Columbia River.

When Perry retired he sold the "No Wonder" to Orval Lad and it later was purchased by Eddie Rae Smotherman.

Perry then went to work buying fish for two years in an Ilwaco cannery owned by friends.

In 1962 Perry retired for good and enjoyed hunting and fishing for fun.

In 1974 his wife of 48 years passed away. He now lives with his daughter Gloria at 689 S.W. Juniper.

He will be 94 on March 8.

Perry loves to talk of his hunting and fishing experiences with anyone who visits.

Marcella Lindsey is a long-time Warrenton resident.



Warrenton's early families established city's history

by Marcella Lindsey

The family of Walter Bern Shultz was among the first to settle in Warrenton..

Bern was born on July 2, 1902, in Shepherd, Texas. When he was 10 years old his parents, James F. Shultz and Addie Belle (Shackelford) Shultz decided to move to Oregon with their six children, Roy, Bern, Virgie, Elsie, Orville and Travis.

They lived in Roseburg a short time. Then they went to Eagle Creek to help with a family farm. The family was there for five years and their daughter, Hazel was born there.

When Bern was 15, his parents and their seven children came to Warrenton by covered wagon. Bern's father immediately went to work at Old Oregon Mill, later called Smiley Lampert Mill.

Bern's family lived in a large home located on the south side of Harbor Drive, on Heron Avenue. To the right of their house was Hill Slough where the children used to enjoy swimming.

Bern's youngest brother, Hobert was born in that home.

Later the family moved to Galena Street just across Hill Slough. It was winter and Hill Slough was frozen over so they were able to move everything across the ice.

When Bern finished school he went to work for Sigurdson's C l a m Canneries in Warrenton a n d Washington. He also helped operate the bridge over t h e

work for Old Oregon Mill and he also became Scoutmaster for 28 boys he took on outdoor trips.

In September, 1920, Bern's brother, Roy married Marion Warren who was the granddaughter of Phineas C. Warren, one of Warrenton's first pioneers.

In 1924 Bern's father invested in a sawmill in Falls City, Ore., so the family moved.. A short time later Bern's sister, Virgie came back to Warrenton to marry Roy Gustave (Happy Magnuson

who became Warrenton's postmaster. After his death, Virgie took over as postmaster.

In 1926, Bern married Cleo Dodd in Falls City. The mill his father had invested in burned down so the family moved back to their home on Galena Street in Warrenton.

In 1931 Bern and Cleo built their own house on Galena Street where they still reside.

They raised five daughters: Maralou, Muriel, Vera, Francis and Evelyn and one son Leonard.

Bern worked for the Kelly Mill, Astoria Box Company, and Prouty Mill where he continued to work after the mill closed dismantling and selling machinery for Ted Dichter. In 1967

Bern went to work for Warrenton School District as a janitor and bus driver. In 1979 he was put in charge of landscaping for all three schools, and many times he taught classroom groups about soils, plants and outdoor survival.

Bern was on the Warrenton School Board for 15 years while his family was growing up.

He retired from the school in 1982 and concentrated on enjoying his family of six children, 18 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren.

Bern's brother, Travis was well known as owner and manager of "Trav's Trees," for 15 years.

Marcella Lindsey is a long-time Warrenton resident.



FIRST POST OFFICE — The old Warrenton Post Office was built in the 1930s and served until 1963. (Courtesy photos)



THE SHULTZ FAMILY — From left, Fay and Orville Shultz, Roy Magnuson, Roy, Bern, and Hobert Shultz, and Donald Magnuson.

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Bern Shultz

"Grandma Day" remembered as

by Marcella Lindsey

Frances Marie (Haworth) Day was born Nov. 30, 1904, in Orient, Oregon, near Gresham; she was the youngest of six children born to Alfred and Martha (Husk) Haworth.

Several years later her parents moved to a farm in Kelso, between Gresham and Sandy. The children attended school in a two-room school house with four grades in reach room and only two teachers.

In the winter when the snow was deep, Frances's father drove the Hawthorns and neighborhood children to school in a sled draw by two horses. They all enjoyed it.

Mail for the farmers came to Boring by horse and buggy.

When Frances was 19, she went to Portland to work and that is where she met her future husband, Vincent (Smokey) Day who is the great great grandson of Chief Cobaway of the Clatsop Indians. He's also the great grandson of Solomon Smith who married Celiast, Chief Cobaway's daughter.

Solomon Smith was the first white settler in the Clatsop Plains area in 1840. Warrenton was called Skipanon at that time.

On Jan. 1, 1925, Frances came to Warrenton and on Jan. 8, she and Vincent were married at the Warrenton Methodist Church annex located at the corner of Ninth and Main streets. In March 1925, the couple left for Cordova, Alaska, to work in a clam cannery owned by Clarence Sigurdson of Warrenton.

On arriving in Cordova, April 5, there had just been a terrible winter storm and all the pipes were frozen.

When returning from Alaska Vincent found work at Taylorville and that is where their oldest daughter, Pearl, was born in 1926. The family returned to Warrenton when Pearl was eight months old.

Back in Warrenton, both Vincent and Frances went to work at Warrenton.

Clam Company owned by Clarence Sigurdson's father.

On days when clam tides were good, Vincent would go clam digging and then back to work at the cannery.

While living in the Warrenton and Sunset Beach area, Frances and Vincent had five more children, Dorothy, Lionel, Margaret, Mary and Jimmy. On June 1, 1936, the couple made their last move to a home on Seventh Street in Hammond owned by Jake Bosshart's sister Nel Kindred. The rent then was only \$8.50 a month.

The house had been built by a soldier in 1918. The couple later bought the house and two lots for only \$600. Their last five children, Patricia, Robert, Howard Leroy, David, and Charlot were born after the family moved to

mother of 11



FRANCES DAY — Warrenton pioneer Frances Marie (Haworth) Day celebrated her 89th birthday in November.

Hammond.

On April 4, 1954, Vincent died after five years of illness, leaving Frances with the five youngest children still in school.

When her youngest child was a senior in high school, Frances started babysitting and later got a job at Tongue Point cooking and washing dishes.

At that time — in the 1960s — there were about 900 hungry boys residing there. Many of them had large appetites and could consume two or three hamburgers at a time. She enjoyed her work but left to take care of an older couple for 16 months and later took care of a blind lady.

I met Frances in July 1953 at the old Hammond Gospel Mission. In the middle 1960s the name was changed to

Philadelphia Church and in the late 1960s the new church was dedicated.

Frances loved to teach Sunday school and the children all loved her. Everyone called her "Grandma Day."

She was also one of the ladies instrumental in starting Cottage Prayer meetings.

She is friendly and enjoys life.

In the early 1980s, Philadelphia Church hired Frances as a custodian for several years. She also babysat for the pastor's children.

All of her children have grown now and live in other areas, except Pearl Biddle who lives in Astoria. Frances has 31 grandchildren, 33 great grandchildren and four great great grandchildren. She still does her own work and loves to drive the shopping cart when she goes shopping.

In spite of having hip surgery, eye surgery and arthritis she is happy and an encouragement to others. She enjoys life.

If you'd like to meet Frances (Grandma) Day you will find her every Sunday at Philadelphia Church in Hammond.

Marcella Lindsey is a long-time Warrenton resident.

Frances Marie Day
born Nov 30 1904
taken 11/94



March 1994



ASTORIA MUSIC RENDEZVOUS MUSICIANS

On Friday, March 12, the monthly Music Rendezvous was held at Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange Street.

There were 24 musicians entertaining a good size crowd. Musicians were: Bob Swenson as master of ceremonies for the evening, he also played guitar and sang; Phyllis Bennett played guitar and sang; Fran Hartill played violin; Andy Honcharenko played violin; Estelle Ishmael played accordion; Dale Johnson played guitar, sang and yodeled; Norman Junes on harmonica; Irene Kier on piano accordion; Lee Lahti on drums; Bill Leonard on harmonica; Audrey Pactow played the piano while her husband Chuck sang Irish songs; Boon Salsbary played guitar and sang accompanied by his daughter, Becky Taylor who played harp and sang; John Vlastalicia played banjo/mandolin and J.S. Walker played

guitar and sang.

A new family joined us, Dave and Raylene Van Wagner and their five sons who recently moved to the Knappa area from Utah. The father played the guitar and sang; Raylene played base guitar; Shen, 16, played mandolin; Jess, 14, played violin; Dustin, 12, played violin; Dalen, nine, played piano; Chaden, six, played violin and sang solo; their young friend, Jason Sweat played the guitar. We welcome this family to our community and hope to see a lot of them.

At intermission, everyone enjoyed goodies and fellowship while J.S. Walker played his guitar and sang. Next Rendezvous will be Friday, April 8 at 7 p.m. Bring a friend, your instrument if you have one and some homemade goodies to share if you can. Everyone is welcome.



Francis Marie Day
Nov 30 - 1904



Perry Andrews
March 8, 1900

March 11th 1994 March 18-94

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By Marcella Lindsey

On March 12, the monthly Music Rendezvous was held at the Astoria Senior Center.

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Sweet played guitar. We welcome this family to our community and hope to see a lot of them.

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Music Rendezvous will be April 8 at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome.



Rummage sale planned

By Della Wilson

When the Warrenton Community Center was built, the plans were completed. The walls to the east and south were put up with expansion in mind. We need storage rooms, maybe a walk-in freezer-refrigerator unit. The Senior Room isn't large enough for their pool table and the main meeting hall can be extended both east and south. We have drawing ideas from the original blueprints and we hope to get started soon.

On April 8 and 9, a Rummage Sale is planned at the center to help us get started on the \$200,000 needed to add on. Already we have lots of treasures. For rug makers, lots of new wools and fabrics of all

kinds for quilters. We have furniture, lamps, jewelry and much, much more. A big quilt has been donated and raffle tickets will be sold during the sale. Donations will be accepted during the week of the sale at the center. Contact Marcella Lindsey, or call Della Wilson at 861-3761



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Warrenton remembers one of its pioneers

by Marcella Lindsey

Don Falconer was born in Astoria on Sept. 1, 1915, to Earnest and Frances (Jurhs) Falconer; Don's father operated the street car in Astoria for many years. He was of German and English decent.

When Don was four years old his mother was killed in an accident while riding a horse, so he and his brother Earl went to live with their grandparents, August and Kate (Tostow) some times spelled (Tostum) Juhrs. Kate was the daughter of Indian Chief Tostow of the Clatsop Tribe.

She is the sole heir of Chief Tostow and the last Indian Princess of the Tostow Band.

In a statement from the book "Certain Indian Tribes in Oregon and Washington," Kate states that her father, Chief Tostow was one of the signers of the 1851 treaty.

Don's grandparents lived about where the old Highway 101 connects with Marine Avenue in Warrenton.

In 1926 Don's grandmother, Kate died so he and his brother went to live with their father Earnest Falconer on East Harbor.

Don's father worked at the old Smiley Lambert mill and later at Prouty's mill until about 1940 when he went to work for Government Engineers at Fort Stevens for 10 years.

Don was in the Navy in the Pacific from 1941 through 1945. He saw a good deal of action and was hospital-



PIONEER FAMILY - From left to right: Earl Falconer, age two, grandmother Kate Juhrs, and Don, age four.

ized for a time on one of the islands. The only enjoyable time he spent during his four years in the Navy were the nine months he was stationed in Australia. He got out of the service in Farraget, Idaho, and that is where he met Dorothy Davis who was also in the service as a dental technician.

After getting out of the service he drove the Oregon Motor Stage between Portland and Astoria. In July, 1946, he went back to Farraget and brought Dorothy back to Astoria. They were married on July 3, 1946, and have lived in their present location for over 40 years.

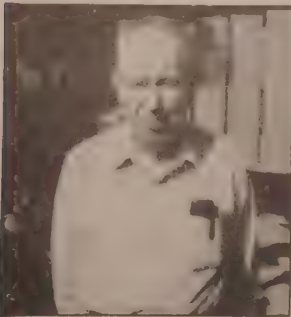
Don retired from driving Oregon Motor Stage in 1947 and drove a gasoline truck for Texaco for 12 years. He then went to work for the University of Oregon operating equipment at Tongue Point until his retirement in 1975.

Don and Dorothy have two daughters, Linda Tellhed of Nehalem and Janice Phelan of Portland; one son, Don Falconer of Portland; three grand-

sons and one granddaughter; also one niece.

Diane Collier of Warrenton, his brother Earl's daughter.

Marcella Lindsey is a long-time Warrenton resident.



DON FALCONER



November 1994
Dick Ford
Helen Jones
Ethel Stockrath
Karen Radich
Frances Day 90



Photo courtesy of Marcella Lindsay

The old Warrenton Post Office building once stood where the Warrenton Mini-Mart Mall is now. The post office was in that location from the 1930s to 1963. Happy Magnuson was the postmaster.

Pacific Coast Times



SENIORS REMEMBER — Those in their 90's were honored at a special table at the Warrenton Community Center's senior luncheon Aug. 8, 1994

Warrenton seniors honored

Among those honored at the luncheon were:

Samuel H. Lee - born Sept. 25, 1898. Samuel's father, J.T. Lee was a teacher and principle for the big school in 1911.

Marion (Warren) Shultz - born May 20, 1900 in Warrenton. Her grandfather, Phineas C. Warren and his brother, Daniel K. Warren were the founders of Warrenton.

Perry Andrews - born March 8, 1900, is a Warrenton Pioneer, mill worker and commercial fisherman.

Cleo Shultz - born March 10, 1907, moved to Warrenton when she married Bern. They had eight children.

Bern Shultz - born July 2, 1902, came to Warrenton by covered wagon with his family. He was a mill worker and worked for the Warrenton School

District as bus driver and landscaper.

Agnes Nygard - born Aug. 15, 1902, has raised her three children in the Warrenton area on 13th Street.

Clarence Sigurdson - born Sept. 14, 1901 in Warrenton on the same day of President McKinley's death. Clarence is noted for his delightful book "Raised by the Sea."

Millie Bosshart - born May 9, 1903 in Warrenton. Millie has worked in most of the Warrenton mills, as a secretary and bookkeeper until she retired in 1962.

Frances Day - born Nov. 30, 1904, married had a family of 10 children. Her husband, Vincent Day was the great grandson of Chief Cobaway of the Clatsop Indian Tribe.

Senior luncheon's are Mondays and Thursdays at noon.

Astoria musicians play

On Friday night, July 8, the monthly Music Rendezvous was held at Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange Street.

There were eight musicians entertaining about 40 people.

Musicians participating included Phyllis Bennet on guitar and vocals; Clarence Hadley from Long Beach playing violin; Norman Junes, who played harmonica, sang and told comical stories.

Bill Leonard played harmonica and sang, accompanied by Audrey Paetwo on the piano; Boon Salsbury

played guitar and sang; bob Swenson played guitar, sang and was master of ceremonies; Becky Taylor played the harp and sang.

Andy Honcharenko and wife, Iva Mae just returned from an eight week trip to North Dakota. Andy says he will participate next month.

Next Astoria Music Rendezvous will be Aug. 12 at 7 p.m.

All area seniors are invited

Come and bring your instrument, if you play one, and some goodies to share with friends during intermission.

Astoria Senior News 1994

By Marcella Lindsey
August 12, the monthly Music Rendezvous was held at the Astoria Senior Center. Nine musicians performed for a fair size crowd.

Musicians were: Nathaniel Christensen on violin and vocals, Clarence Hadley on violin, Fran Hartill on piano accordion, Andy Honcharenko on guitar and mouth harp, Dale Johnson on violin, guitar and

yodelling, Norman Junes was Master of Ceremonies and played harmonica and told funny stories, Glen McKinnon from Yakima, Wash., played clarinet, Dan Newton played the Jew's harp, and Boone Salsbury played guitar and sang along.

The next music rendezvous will be Friday, Sept. 9, at 7 p.m. at the senior center.

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SENIOR NEWS

By Gertrude Bryant

On August 8, volunteers for the senior luncheon at the community center were George Spencer, Donna Spencer, Mark Carlson and Randy Demaris from the Nazarene Church. Hattie Davis delivered meals and Jan Godwin worked in the kitchen.

There were a group of older Warrenton citizens who were over 90 and Marcella Lindsey had made arrangements for them at a special table. They were Samuel H. Lee (95), Marian Shultz (94), Clarence Sigurdson (92), Bern Shultz (92), Angas Nygaard (91), Millie Bosshart (91), and Frances Day (89). They had a very good time talking over the old days and visiting. They had their picture taken also.



Pictured above, left to right: Frances Day, Samuel Lee, Marion Shultz, Cleo Shultz, Bern Shultz, Agnes Nygaard, Clarence Sigurdson, and Millie Bosshart.

September Birthdays



Clarence Sigurdson
Samuel H. Lee
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Clarence Sigurdson - 75 - Sept 17 - 94
Samuel Lee - 96 - Sept 20 - 94
Fredricka Kalebough - Sept 27 -
Marcella Lindsey - Sept 30
Wally Robertson - Sept 13.

Warrenton's Alder Avenue trees date back to Date Street

by Marcella Lindsey

It was quite disheartening to me to see the beautiful Maple Trees cut down along S.W. Alder Ave. formerly called Date St. according to Warrenton City map drawn up by D.K. Warren on Dec. 10, 1891.

In 1892, D.K. Warren hired Walt Kindred to plant Maple & Alder trees along Date Street which consisted of only two blocks at that time; they also planted trees down both sides of S. W. 1st St. for two blocks and then North on Manine Court which is west of Warrenton Post Office & the Dairy Maid and formerly called Cedar St..

There was no road to Hammond in the North area of that block at that time as there was a slough that ran from the west side of Date St. behind the small school, across where the highway is now and over where the Baptist Church now stands.

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ALDER AVENUE

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Both of the little schools are gone now and most of the trees and the names of the streets have been changed.

J.T. Lee's son, Samuel H. Lee lives at 1169 Harrison in Astoria and will be 96 on September 25th and was born & raised in this area along with Clarence Sigurdson, Millie Boshart and Marion (Warren) Shultz.

Marcella Lindsey is a long-time Warrenton resident.

Remembering Warrenton's History

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By Marcella Lindsey



It was quite disheartening to me to see the large maple trees cut down along S.W. 1st and Alder Ave. About 1892, D.K. Warren hired Walt Kindred to plant alder and maple trees all along Alder Ave. which consisted of two blocks and formerly was called Date St. They also planted trees down both sides of S.W. 1st St. for one block and then north on Main Court which is west of the post office and Dairy Maid and was formerly called Cedar St.

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Both Clarence and Marion (Warren) Shultz had many stories to tell about their old school days in Warrenton in school No. 1 and No. 2, located on Date St. They both said the school was situated over the slough and the restrooms were in the woodshed. The children would have to hold up one or two fingers to go to the restroom and the boys would hold up two fingers as it took longer. They would put their fishing line down through the hole and catch carp but if they stayed too long the teacher would get wise.

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I enjoy hearing about how it used to be back when Warrenton got its start and would appreciate knowing if anyone else is interested. If you are, let Gary at The Columbia Press know.



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Astoria Musical Rendezvous

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The Warrenton Church of Christ was built in the late 1800s.

Come and rest your feet at the Astoria Senior Center

by Andrea Guarnieri
for Pacific Coast Seniors

Ely Rimata sits back in a lounge chair to read his magazine. Frank McGuire watches Bob Barton and Harsham Schawa play pool. Bob band tunes play faintly in the background while a group of women take an aerobics class on the other side of



the lounge room. In another corner the president of the senior center in Astoria, Love Corder, and the vice president, Emily Ivanic, chat quietly.

They all seem to know each other. Chuck

CHUCK PAETOW smiles and says hi to one of the seniors, saying that he has known him since they were kids.

Chuck Paetow has been in Astoria for 75 years. He played toothball at Astoria High School, was police chief of the Astoria Police Department, was president of the Astoria Senior Center and now teaches 55-ALIVE classes at the center.

Chuck recalls the long road the senior center took to get to where it is today.

The Senior Center moved from location to location before settling in its own building in 1987. Chuck remembers that the Senior Center started in the basement of American Legion. Later he says it moved to the corner of 14th and Duane. Here the center still shared its space. He explains that it was a combination of a Senior Center and a Tongue Point Drop-In Center.

Chuck explains how the seniors finally got their own center. He says the city had revenue sharing that it used to build a new fire station, improve public works and city hall. There was money left over, says Chuck, and this is when they looked



ASTORIA SENIORS Astoria seniors and hosts take a break. Seniors find the center a place to play pool, bingo, take an aerobics class or just sit and relax. Most seniors find something to do at the center.

for a place for a Senior Center.

Originally he says there were two women that took over the running, but a few years ago, due to Measure Five, the seniors took over running the center.

With a committee of ten, which Chuck served on, they wrote up the rules and regulations of the Senior Center. They also had an election and chose Chuck as president.

He says they didn't know how much money it would cost to keep the center running, so they decided to charge a dollar a year and \$80 for a lifetime membership. Needless to say they got off to a good start, with 75 seniors choosing to be lifetime members that first year.

Chuck, who is no longer president, says he comes to the center every day. He believes that the center is an important place for seniors because it gives them someplace to go.

Whether they go to play bingo, make ceramics, play pool, take aerobics or just sit back and relax and say hi to old and new friends, the Senior Center in Astoria serves as a home away from home for many.

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by Marcella Lindsey

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Delfina Gutierrez celebrates her December birthday at the Warrenton Community Center Senior Luncheon. 1994

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SENIOR NEWS

By Gertrude Bryant

Volunteers for the Oct. 31 senior luncheon at the community center were Mozella Oja, Dorothy Turner and Iris from the Church of the Latter Day Saints. Hattie delivered meals. Bingo was played later and Madge Camp won the Blackout. A birthday picture was taken of Myrna Bache and Pearl Simmons.

On Nov. 3, volunteers were Georgia DeYoung and Medrith Grossman from the Rebekah Lodge. The cashier was Gertrude Bryant and Hattie delivered the meals. Fran Hartill played her accordion. Ethel Stuckrath worked in the kitchen. Cathy Wilkes, the new director of CTIC was here and gave a talk explaining her duties. Bingo was played and Wally Robertson won the Blackout.



September Birthdays: Samuel Lee, Clarence Sigurdson, Fredricka Kalebaugh, Marcella Lindsey, Wally Robertson (not pictured: Helen Erickson).

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SENIOR NEWS

By Gertrude Bryant

Senior luncheon volunteers on Sept. 26, were Betty Manke and Lorraine Scrimsher from the Warrenton Christian Church. Hattie Davis delivered meals and Jan Godwin worked in the kitchen.

Tomatoes were donated to the seniors by Jim and Dolly Verley. Flowers were donated by Sam and Bonnie Moore. The seniors really enjoyed the tomatoes and the flowers. Thank you.

Volunteers on Sept. 29, were Fredricka Kalebaugh and Catherine DeSalvo from the Catholic Church. Fran Hartill played her accordion. Hattie delivered meals and Ethel Stuckrath worked in the kitchen. Annette Lawson did a lot of work for Aileen Jensen who had fallen and broke her right wrist.

Today was birthday lunch so the following had their picture taken with the cake: Marcella

Lindsey (71), Wally Robertson (85), Fredricka Kalebaugh (71), Samuel Lee (96), Clarence Sigurdson (93).

Della Wilson announced the Rebekah Christmas Fair will be Saturday, November 5, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch will be served. Tables will be \$10.

Madge Camp brought zucchini and yellow squash. Medrith Grossman won the bingo blackout. Medora Bahr filled in for Aileen Jensen.

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This was our Birthday Lunch for December. Della Gutting was the only one who showed up today. She had her picture taken with the cake



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at Astoria



Dunns celebrate 63rd anniversary

Ethel and Dutch Dunn of Warrenton recently celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary.



Photo courtesy of Ethel Dunn (daughter of Charlie the Barber)



There are several empty buildings around town that used to be places of business and activity. One of them that looks especially deserted is the one located at 45 N.E. Harbor Ct. I often think about what kind of stories could be told if walls could speak. Whenever I see an old abandoned, run down house, barn or building, I wonder what has happened along the way to someone's dreams and plans.

I was talking to Dutch Dunn about this particular building. He told me that when he came to Warrenton in 1936 it was the location of the post office. His father-in-law Charlie Layman ran a barber shop in the building from about 1944 until his death in July of 1964.

Warrenton had many unique characters that were known by everyone in the old days. Charlie the barber was one such person. My friend Diane told me that her dad used to take her there to get a haircut. She said that she was always given a little Dutch girl bob. He once gave my little brother a haircut and said there was no charge. I mentioned to my friend Yvonne that I thought he was flirting with my mom because he didn't charge Danny for his haircut. I had an irritated tone to my voice when I accused him and she replied, "That's my Grandpa!" This was the day I realized that almost everyone in town was related in one way or the other. She assured me that her grandfather was just showing kindness to my mom who was struggling to get by.

After Charlie passed away another barber ran the shop for awhile. Then it became Dale's Beauty Salon. In 1978 it became the location for *The Columbia Press* newspaper. Hal Allen was the publisher in those days. The current publishers, Gary and Julia Nevan ran the paper out of the little building until they moved to a new place in 1991.

Many businesses have come and gone, but I will probably always think of this old building as "Charlie's Barber Shop."

Dec. 29, 1994 Marcella & Madri Th G



A special birthday wish for a very special man

by Marcella Lindsey

Dan Newton was one of the senior citizen members that were instrumental in raising funds to enable the City of Warrenton to obtain a Government Block Grant for the Warrenton Community Center.

Dan's parents, William W. Newton and Amy (Doney) Newton were married in Colfax, Wash. on Sept. 20, 1911 and settled in Chinook, Montana to work on a homestead along with Dan's grandparents, Albert and Martha Doney.

Dan was born on Nov. 10, 1914 and was the second of 11 children born to that union. In 1919 the family moved to Dayton, Ore. and Dan attended grade school in Yamhill County and high school in St. Paul.

In 1932 his parents moved the family

to Warrenton for a short time but decided to move back to Dayton where Dan's father, William passed away shortly after and Dan's mother, Amy married Jack Davis in McMinnville. The couple had two children, Rosie and Johnny.

On Dec. 30, 1938 Dan married Carol Magill in Vancouver, Wash. They lived in Newberg and had five children, Toney, Dixie, Danny Jr., Robert and Carolyn.

In 1952 Jack and Amy, Dan's mother, moved to Warrenton with their four youngest children, Betty, Joy, Rosie and Johnny and in 1953 Dan and Carol and family followed and located on what is now Cedar Street on lots previously purchased by Dan's brothers, Ed and Dick.

Dan worked for four years at Amco Ship Yard and then took up carpentry. His first big project was primary builder and overall manager of building the

Warrenton First Baptist Church. He also worked with contractor, Dennis Larson building many homes in Clatsop County.

For seven years Dan worked as carpenter and maintenance man at Tongue Point Job Corps and the next seven years he did TV repairs.

Dan served for 10 years on Warrenton Fire Department, four years on Warrenton Planning Commission and has been a member of the Community Center Board of Directors from the beginning.

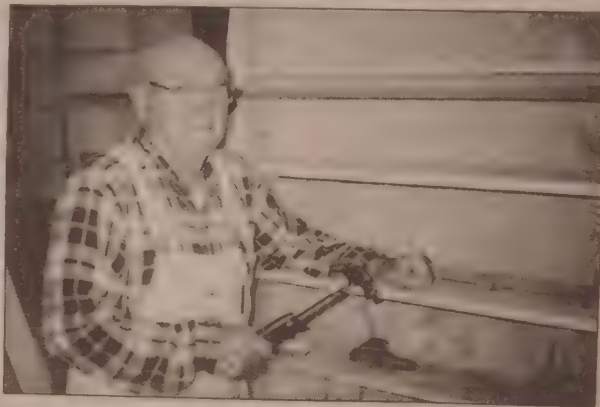
Dan has done a lot of carpentry at the

community center, finished the restrooms, built porches, made a work table for the kitchen, installed kitchen sinks and installed formica around sinks and built a large cabinet by the dishwasher. There is no end to the small tasks he performs.

Dan has built his home at 195 S.W. Cedar and I would say it is one of the very well built homes in Warrenton.

We love you Dan and wish you a very happy 80th year from all of us.

Marcella Lindsey is a long-time Warrenton resident.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY — Dan Newton, who was one of the people making the Community Center possible in Warrenton, celebrated his 80th Birthday in November.

A brief history of a long time Warrenton resident

by Marcella Lindsey

Dick Ford was born November 14, 1910 in Beaverton, Oregon: Dick's parents, (Percy Gifford and Linda "Iola" Ford) were married in Sisson, California and moved to Beaverton in 1908.

In 1912 his parents and he moved to Bridgeton, Oregon close to Jansen Beach, that name was later changed to Faloma.

While attending High School Dick rode a bicycle in Portland for Western Union for about three years, he then worked for Crown Flour Mills on the waterfront in Portland for 13 years. Dick then decided to go to Electrician School in Portland and became an Electrician, he then went to work for Oregon Ship Building and Poole McGonagle & Jennings on Russian Ships on the Lend Lease Program.

Dick met Katherine Schiedeman in Faloma in 1932 and they were married there on June 6, 1933. They have three sons, Richard Jeffery, Grant Lyne and Lowell Lee, all three sons were born at the Seventh Day Adventist Hospital in Portland.

In September 1944 Dick had an opportunity to transfer to Astoria Marine which he accepted and moved his family to Warrenton to a house on the corner of 3rd and Elm Streets, which is now called S. W. 1st and Alder Court, about two blocks west of Warrenton Post Office. After Astoria Marine shut down Dick went to work for Snow's Electric, later sold to Wadsworth Electric, Dick then became partner with Howard Bergin and they started Warrenton Electric.

In 1948 Dick sold his share of the business to Howard Bergin and as part of his payment acquired the corner property where

Warrenton Auto and Marine now stands at 60 S.E. 1st & Anchor Street; that property on the corner was then a large boarding house previously owned by the Maize family. The boarding house had rooms upstairs and served meals downstairs and later became Doc Yak's Pool Hall and Card Room with a barber shop up front. To the right of it and behind it were small cabins as rentals, one of the cabins

was rented by the Hale family, Charlotte Bergerson's parents, the property was later sold to Les Newton for his Auto and Marine shop.

Dick worked for a time with Dick Knotts in the hardware business about where Martley Motors is now located, in 1948 Dick decided to open his own business at his home on 3rd and Elm in Warrenton and in 1959 he and his

wife, Katherine bought out Meads Electric on Broadway in Seaside and moved their Electric business there and in 1969 they sold the business to Borland Electric and retired.

Dick joined the Warrenton Volunteer Fire Department in 1945 and in 1963 became Fire Chief until his retirement in 1982, Dick still holds the office of Warrenton Fire Marshall. In 1973 Dick became Building Inspector for the City of Warrenton and still continues in that position.

Dick and Katherine loved to travel by camper to the area around Ontario, Oregon to hunt for deer, ducks and pheasant. Dick made several trips with friends to British Columbia Moose hunting while his wife operated the business in Seaside. Over the years Dick bagged four Moose, one Mountain Goat and one Caribou. In the more local area Dick hunted deer and elk and also loved salmon and sturgeon fishing on the Columbia River.

Dick and his wife, Katherine were married 59 years when she passed away on February 19, 1992 and on September 4, 1993 Dick married Gena Sherrat, she passed away on December 1, 1993.

Dick has been active in the Gideons for many years; he's also been active in the local church's and did the wiring in Warrenton First Baptist Church, he now attends Calvary Assembly in Warrenton.

Dick now makes his home at 1485 S.W. Main in Warrenton, he enjoys coming to the Senior dinner's on Monday's and Thursday's at the Warrenton Community Center.

We wish you the very best in 1995 Dick.

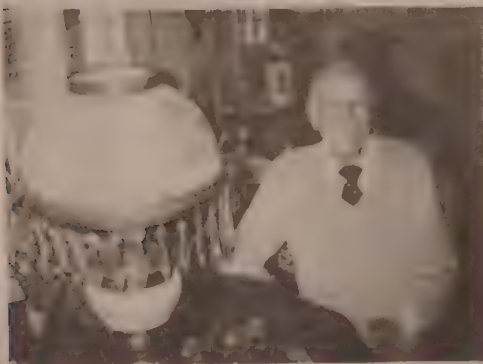
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Samuel H. Lee

Samuel H. Lee was the second son of Joseph T. Lee and Crystal (Fisher) Lee who married in Astoria and lived in Svensen on a farm. The couple had four sons, Clyde born in 1896, Samuel born in 1898 in Astoria, and later on Rupert and Ben were born.

In 1902 Sam's parents and the four boys went to Alaska to live as his father had a teaching position there. In 1905 his mother and the boys came back to Svensen for a visit and when Sam's mother returned to Alaska Sam decided to stay with his grandparents, Henry Fisher and Nancy (Kindred) Fisher on the farm. Sam also spent much time with his great aunt, Mrs. Peter (Henretta Fisher) Svensen. He called her Auntie Fisher.

Sam's grandfather Henry Fisher had two brothers, Gus, who was a boat captain and Ferd, who was a businessman at heart. Gus and Ferd owned and ran a boat between Warrenton and Astoria which was very profitable for some time. Then Ferd decided to open a store in Astoria which was the original Fisher Brothers Company. I remember shopping in Fisher Brothers myself and remember the fine quality of gifts one could find there.

In 1907, Sam's father J.T. Lee got a teaching position in Warrenton's big school which was located on the west side of S.W. Alder and 1st Street (at that time it was called Date Street). The previous school teachers had a hard time managing the older boys but J.T. Lee was very successful in getting their attention and their respect.

In 1911, Clarence Sigurdson, now 93 years old, was one of J.T.'s fifth grade students and both he and Marion (Warren) Shultz, now 94 years old, remember a lot of pranks the older boys pulled and the wise methods J.T. had of handling each situation.

In 1915, Clarence Sigurdson's father, Captain Asvaldur Sigurdson, built a new house and rented it to J.T. Lee and family for only \$12.50 per month. The same year the new Warrenton Public and High School was being built on what is now called S.W. Cedar and 9th Street.

In March 1916, the new school was completed so J.T., who was now principal of all three schools, had the pupils in both small schools on Alder Ave. gather all their belongings and march through town about a mile to the new school. J.T. Lee taught in Clatsop County for 35 years.

Sam's grandfather Henry Fisher married Nancy (Kindred) Fisher who was the eldest child of B.C. Kindred and had come here by covered wagon with her parents. B.C. Kindred owned all of what is now called Hammond, 639.9 acres that he homesteaded. It bordered along the government-owned Fort Stevens area of Hammond according to documents I found in my mother's belongings dated 1893.

In the late 1800's a multi-millionaire named A.B. Hammond came to the area and built the Hammond Lumber Company in Astoria, one in Garibaldi and several others along the coast. Mr. Hammond also leased the Smiley Lambert Mill in Warrenton and owned a fleet of lumber schooners and lumber yards.

According to documents dated May 8, 1896, A.B. Hammond was president of the Astoria and Columbia River Railroad Company and Hammond was named after him in the hope that he would build a railway down there.

In 1918, B.C. Kindred sold his 639.9 acres in Hammond to A.B. Hammond for the sum of \$65,000.

B.C. Kindred also donated the property where the Coast Guard Station is in Hammond to the government. One of the Kindred families lived in the house north of the Coast Guard Station where Bernice Enke now lives.

Sam's first employment was working in the old Smiley Lambert Sawmill which was located where Warrenton Mooring Basin is now. He then got a job at Hammond Lumber Company located in southeast Astoria near Tongue Point until it burned down just two months before the big Astoria fire in 1922. After the mill burned, Sam went to work at Frank Cook's garage repairing automobiles.

In 1926 Sam married Edith Wilson who was a Warrenton High School teacher. They rented an apartment above Doc Wilson's Drug Store located on the corner of 1st and S.E. Main in Warrenton. Bernice Enke remembers having Edith as a teacher when she was in high school.

In 1932 Sam built a home at Miles Crossing and next to it built Lee's Garage and Service Station which he operated for 25 years. I can remember passing by there for years as we rode the bus to and from work back in the 1940's and 50's. In those days most everyone rode the Greyhound bus everywhere. That was before we had the new Youngs Bay Bridge.

In 1955 Sam bought the Wilson Dairy Farm from his wife's parents. The dairy is located at Miles Crossing and his son Richard and wife Margaret live there and operate the dairy as well as the Nerenberg Farm in Youngs River area, previously owned by Sam's aunt Willamina (Fisher) Nerenberg and John Nerenberg. In 1955 Sam built Lee's City Center Motel in Astoria and operated it for 11 years and then sold it. It is now called Astoria City Center Motel.

Sam's wife, Edith, passed away in 1984 and he now resides in his home on Harrison in Astoria overlooking the Columbia River. Sam still walks downtown to the Senior Center and to the senior dinners at Peace Lutheran Church. He remembers the times he enjoyed going fishing and hunting with Rudy and Jake Bosshart, Millie Bosshart's brothers. He said he has fished most of the streams in Clatsop County.

We wish you a happy 96th year from your senior friends.

Letters to the

Jan 20-1995

Oldest Mason

To the Editor:

I was very interested in the fine article written by Marcella Lindsey about Samuel H. Lee which was in the Jan. 13, 1995 issue of *The Columbia Press*. I would like to add a little additional information about Mr. Lee that may be of interest.

In 1993, Roger Williams, Master of Gateway Lodge #175 Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, presented Sam with a

Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of his "Meritorious Service and Extended Dedication to the Craft of Freemasonry in Oregon". Sam was the Secretary at Gateway Lodge #175 in Warrenton when Joseph W. Anderson became Master of the Lodge in 1929. Sam became a Lifemember of Gateway Lodge on May 7, 1936, and has 67 years in Masonry. At 96 years old, Sam is currently the oldest living member of Gateway Lodge and we are very proud of him. Congratulations Sam!

RONALD L. ATKINS
Secretary, Gateway Lodge #175

Senior Center Hosts Open

House — The Astoria Senior Center hosts an open house from 2-4 p.m. Thursday at the center, 1111 Exchange St. Senior Center President Joyce Corder said coffee and cake are served and keyboard music will be played by Gordon Grass. All are invited to attend as the seniors show their appreciation to the city of Astoria for providing the building and helping to maintain it.

Glen C. Peoples

Glen C. Peoples, 88, of Warrenton, died May 5, 1997, in Warrenton.

Mr. Peoples was born Feb. 1, 1909, in Curwensville, Pa., to Robert and Ralphine Irwin Peoples.

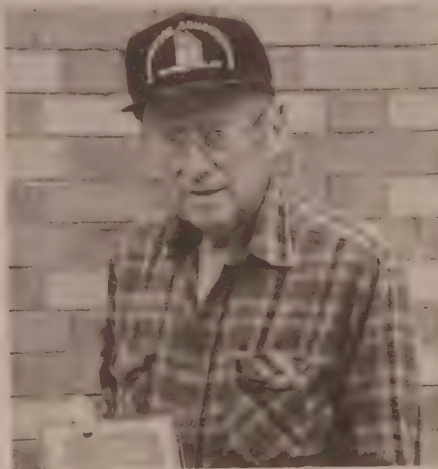
He married Alyce Henderson in Vancouver, Wash., on Aug. 12, 1929. She died May 6, 1983.

Mr. Peoples moved with his family to Oregon at an early age and attended grade school in West Timber. He graduated from high school in Hillsboro.

He moved to Warrenton and worked at the Prouty Mill for a few years. He then went to work logging and worked for Crown Zellerbach, Van Vleet, Benson, Aho Logging and various other companies as an equipment operator. He retired in 1973. Mr. Peoples will be remembered by his family as a loving man who loved the outdoors and fishing.

Mr. Peoples and his wife were founders of the Philadelphia Church in Hammond in 1948. He was a member of T.O.C. Woodworkers.

Mr. Peoples is survived by a daughter, Carolyn Severson of Astoria; two daughters and sons-in-law, Sally and Harry Alexander of Omak, Wash., and Irene and Edward Anderson of Klamath Falls; four grandsons and their wives, David and Gwen Anderson of Eugene, George and Terri Severson of Veneta, Mike and Robin Anderson of Beatty and Glen and Cheri Anderson of Redding, Calif.; two grandsons, Timothy Severson of Astoria and Brett Jacobus of Northampton, Mass.; a granddaughter, Missy Severson of Astoria; two granddaughters and their husbands, Robin and Mike White of Nehalem and Jenne and Dave Benson of Warrenton; a brother and his wife, Eugene and Marion Krebs of Encinitas, Calif., and a sister, Helen Rafferty of Grampian, Pa.

OBITUARIES**Richard J. "Dick" Ford**

Richard J. "Dick" Ford, 86, of Warrenton, died May 8, 1997, in Portland.

Mr. Ford was born Nov. 14, 1910 at Beaver Station (near Beaverton), to Percy J. and Linda Lola Butler Ford. He attended Columbia Elementary School and Benson Polytechnic High School in Portland. As a youth, he was a caddy at Columbia Edgewater Golf Course. He left school at the age of 17 to deliver telegrams for Western Union. He worked several years at the Crown Flour Mill in Portland.

Mr. Ford became an electrician and moved to Warrenton. He worked at the Astoria Shipyards and later started Electrical Contracting, which led to Ford's Electric in Seaside.

He worked or volunteered for the City of Warrenton for 50 years, retiring in 1994. He started as a volunteer firefighter in 1945 and became fire chief in 1963. He retired from that position in 1982. He was the city's building inspector and fire marshall for 22 years.

Mr. Ford married Katherine Thelma Scheideman on June 6, 1933, in Portland. She died in 1992. On Sept. 4, 1993, he married Gina Sherratt, in Seaside. She died Dec. 1, 1993.

Mr. Ford enjoyed square dance calling and instructing. He was a member of Circle of Eights and Calvary Assembly of God Church in Warrenton and

active in the Clatsop County Chapter of the American Red Cross. He was an avid beekeeper, mushroom hunter and enjoyed stamp collecting, bowling, hunting and fishing.

Surviving are two sons and daughters-in-law, Richard Jr. "Jeff" and Helen Ford of Boise, Idaho, and Lowell and Pauline Ford of Salem; one son, Grant Ford of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; a foster daughter and her husband, Joan and Orville Sather of Seattle; one sister-in-law, Frances Herr of Portland; eight grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Funeral was at Calvary Assembly of God Church in Warrenton on May 12. Interment is at Lincoln Memorial Park Cemetery in Portland.

Warrenton's Alder Avenue trees date back to Date Street

by Marcella Lindsey

Remembering Warrenton's History

By Marcella Lindsey



It was quite disheartening to me to see the large maple trees cut down along S.W. 1st and Alder Ave. About 1892, D.K. Warren hired Walt Kindred to plant alder and maple trees all along Alder Ave. which consisted of two blocks and formerly was called Date St. They also planted trees down both sides of S.W. 1st St. for one block and then north on Main Court which is west of the post office and Dairy Maid and was formerly called Cedar St.

There was no road to Hammond in the north area of that block at that time as there was a slough that ran from the west side of Date St. behind the small school across where the highway is now and over where the Baptist Church now stands. Myrtle (Kindred) Miller said the block on the east side of S.W. 1st St. and Date St. was an open field and was used by churches and other groups for picnics. Clarence Sigurdson said it was used as a ball field by the Warrenton Beavers. He remembered that they were a real good team and they won all but one game in three years. He recalls they played Astoria's Shively School and beat them 14 to 1.

Both Clarence and Marion (Warren) Shultz had many stories to tell about their old school days in Warrenton in school No. 1 and No. 2, located on Date St. They both said the school was situated over the slough and the restrooms were in the woodshed. The children would have to hold up one or two fingers to go to the restroom and the boys would hold up two fingers as it took longer. They would put their fishing line down through the hole and catch carp but if they stayed too long the teacher would get wise.

Clarence said they had a difficult time keeping teachers because of the rowdy bunch of boys and one time the older boys put a block of wood in the big school chimney and filled it with sawdust. When the janitor started the fire in the morning, it filled the room with smoke so there was no school that day. However, the teacher, J.T. Lee, had all the boys hold out their hands to see who the guilty ones were and sent them up in the rain to try to get the wood out.

The open ditch that is on the right side of Date Street had some boards over it so people could use it as a short cut across the open field to the main part of town. One Halloween, the older boys sawed the boards half way through and turned them over thinking the principal would cross in the morning to go to the post office, but one of the lady teachers crossed over first and fell in instead.

Clarence said that J.T. Lee knew how to handle the unruly ones and occasionally he would use a horse whip on them until they learned respect. His son, Samuel H. Lee lives on Harrison in Astoria and will be 96 on Sept. 25.

I enjoy hearing about how it used to be back when Warrenton got its start and would appreciate knowing if anyone else is interested. If you are, let Gary at The Columbia Press know.

It was quite disheartening to me to see the beautiful Maple Trees cut down along S.W. Alder Ave. formerly called Date St. according to Warrenton City map drawn up by D.K. Warren on Dec. 10, 1891.

In 1892, D.K. Warren hired Walt Kindred to plant Maple & Alder trees along Date Street which consisted of only two blocks at that time; they also planted trees down both sides of S. W. 1st St. for two blocks and then North on Main Court which is west of Warrenton Post Office & the Dairy Maid and formerly called Cedar St..

There was no road to Hammond in the North area of that block at that time as there was a slough that ran from the west side of Date St. behind the small school, across where the highway is now and over where the Baptist Church now stands.

Myrtle (Kindred) Miller said the block on the East side of 1st & Date St. was an open field and was used by Churches & other groups for picnics; Clarence Sigurdson said it was used as a ball field & the Warrenton Beavers team he said were very good

Warrenton in School #1 & #2 located on Date Street, they both said the small school was situated over the slough and the restrooms were in the woodshed in the back; when the children had to use the restroom they had to hold up one or two fingers, many times the boy's held up two fingers to give them more time and would drop a fish line down through the toilet hole & fish for carp, if they stayed too long the teacher would get wise.

Clarence said they had a difficult time keeping teachers because of the rowdy bunch of boy's and one time the older boy's put a block of wood down the chimney of the larger school & filled it in with sawdust; when the janitor started the fire in the morning the school filled with smoke so there was no school but the teacher, J.T. Lee found out who was responsible and made them go up on the roof in the rain and try to clean the chimney out, the small children watched them from the little school.

The open ditch that is on the right side of Date St. had some boards over it so people could use the empty block as a shortcut, across the open field to the main part of town which consisted of a Post Office, telephone Office, Cigar store, apartment house & merchantile store located west of where Warrenton Boat Yard is now. One Halloween the older boy's sawed the boards half way through and



ALDER AVENUE

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turned them over thinking that their principal would try to cross in the morning and fall in the ditch but a lady teacher fell in instead.

In 1907 J.T. Lee was teaching the big school and was having problems with the boy's shooting paper wads so he sent everyone out of the room & opened a whole bag of navy beans all over the floor and made the boys pick every one up.

Clarence said that J.T. Lee knew how to handle the unruly ones and occasionally he would use a horse whip on them until they learned respect.

In 1916 when the two small schools moved into their new public school & high school where it is now situated on S. W. Cedar Street, J.T. Lee led the procession from the two small schools on Date Street to the new school, he was now principal of all 3 schools and taught in Clatsop County for 35 years.

Both of the little schools are gone now and most of the trees and the names of the streets have been changed.

J.T. Lee's son, Samuel H. Lee lives at 1169 Harrison in Astoria and will be 96 on September 25th and was born & raised in this area along with Clarence Sigurdson, Millie Boshart and Marion (Warren) Shultz.

Marcella Lindsey is a long-time Warrenton resident.

Everyday
people

Getting to know
your neighbors

John Lum

It was the middle of the week and, as usual, rainy and gray in Astoria. So Lori Lum and her uncle, John Lum, decided to liven up the beginning of John's interview with a practical joke (on the poor, unsuspecting writer).

Before summoning John, Lori turned around and asked, quite innocently, "Do you speak Chinese?" No? In the next moment, John Lum melted away any doubts with his kind smile and ... flawless English. A good laugh was had all around.

John Lum is proud to call himself an "old-timer." Born in 1918 in Astoria, Lum is full of recollections of past decades and friends — some gone, some still around.

On Dec. 8, 1922, the 4-year-old Lum awoke.

"I can remember waking up in the morning, looking out the window and everything was red," he says. Lum is talking about the infamous fire that wiped out most of downtown Astoria and burned the family's grocery store on Ninth and Bond streets to the ground. Coincidentally, the family had bought a second store on Sixth Street. "So we were able to survive the fire with that," says Lum.

Fellow old-timer Kermit Gimre, before he died last year, invited Lum to a nostalgic get-together at the Astoria Public Library to share his

memories growing up in Chinatown.

"When I started talking, everyone said, 'Oh, I remember that!'" recalls Lum. "By the time I was done, I'd been up there an hour!" Lum remembers during the Chinese New Year the adults would let the children off work and they'd set firecrackers.

"They had a Chinese school here at one time," says Lum. "My father was the principal." In 1926, Lum's mother took him and his sister to China, where he almost stayed.

"In those days, if you could scrape together enough money you sent your oldest son to China," says Lum. "Education was important." But Lum says he didn't study in China because of Communist uprisings; his father thought he'd be safer at home.

Lum graduated class valedictorian from Astoria High School in 1937. He has helped organize every class reunion since, and at the most recent one, 60 classmates attended. He was one of the first Astoria students accepted to Harvard University, but stayed in Oregon when his father fell ill. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve.

He married Clara Wong, and eventually took over his father's store. In 1956, Lum took a second job at Bumblebee Seafoods in the purchasing department. He retired from Bumblebee in 1982. Today, Lum works part time for his brother, Dave Lum, who owns Lum's Auto Center.

The piano is an integral part of John Lum. For nearly 60 years, he has played the organ at Astoria First Baptist Church. The past five years, Lum has played the piano faithfully at Crestview, Clatsop Care Center and Astor House. He has made friends, found old friends and cheered many.

"One day I played 'If You Knew Suzy Like I knew Suzy,' and one lady sitting there, who never says much, started singing and sang it all the way through," remembers Lum.

He mostly plays popular tunes, sometimes getting requests for World



MASAKO WATANABE — The Daily Astorian
John Lum smiles during his piano performance at Crestview Health and Specialty Care Center last week. The longtime Astoria resident plays the piano regularly at Clatsop Care Center and Astor House as well.

War I songs. "I have requests from people for songs that the younger people who work there have never heard," says Lum.

It comes with the territory of being an old-timer.

— Jill Foreman

Rendezvous resounds with music



Marcella Lindsey



Photos courtesy
Marcella Lindsey

There were 14 musicians taking part in the monthly Music Rendezvous which was held March 13 in Astoria. Among those taking part in the event were: Clarence Hadley, Chaden VanWagner, Andy Honcharenko, Dustin VanWagner, Dave VanWagner, Raylene VanWagner, Dalen VanWagner, Bob Swenson, Bill Leonard, Fern Ehrlich, Betty Braas, Audrey Paeton and Don Petersen. Another of the events will be held at 7 p.m. April 10 at the Astoria Senior Center on Exchange Street.

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Date: 14th birthday

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birthday gifts which were a
new guitar and harmonica.

The next Music Rendezvous
will be held April 10th at 7
It is always the second

Friday each month. Come and
bring some goodies to share at
intermission and fellowship
time. If you play an instrument
and like old time music, please

bring your own instrument
invite a friend and
gladly welcome

In. Leave Times section on Oct 1, 1998 "Senior Center"

Musicians gather for Rendevous

Many area seniors and visitors have started making a habit of gathering at the Astoria Senior Center on the second Friday of each month for a "Musical Rendevous."

The latest such gathering was held at 7 p.m., Sept. 11, and drew nine different musicians.

Among those providing the entertainment that night were Phyllis Bennett, on guitar and vocals; Clarence Hadley, on violin; Arle Haynes, violin and guitar; and Andy Honcharenko,

who played the guitar and harmonica, simultaneously. Also contributing was Russ Lewis, playing guitar, bass guitar and vocals.

Rounding out the group were Jerry Raatz as emcee and vocalist, plus his wife Pansy on guitar and vocals; along with Knappa's Al Simonsen on piano accordion. Irene Kier also played the accordion.

Those attending were able to visit and enjoy refreshments during intermission.

The next night for a Musical

Rendevous at the Astoria Senior Center will be Oct. 9. Playing should start shortly after 7.

Those taking part in the latest Musical Rendevous in Astoria (shown at right) included: (left to right) Arle Haynes; Irene Kier; Ross Lewis; Phyllis Bennett; Al Simonsen; Andy Honcharenko; Jerry Raatz; Pansy Raatz and Clarence Hadley.

Photo by Marcella Lindsey





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Photo by Marcella Lindsey

Musicians entertain Astoria seniors

By Marcella Lindsey

On the evening of March 13, I had the pleasure of attending the monthly Music Rendezvous held at Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange Street.

There were 14 musicians who donated their time and talents for the enjoyment of a very good sized audience.

The musicians participating were: Bob Swenson (Master of Ceremonies, singer and guitar); Betty Braas (electric organ); Al Badortha (singer, guitar); Fern Ehrlich (piano and piano accordion); Clarence Hadley, who has now moved to Warrenton from Long Beach, Wash. (violin); Audrey Paetow (played Irish songs on the piano while the audience sang along); Andy Honcharenko (violin and harmonica at the same time); Bill Leonard (harmonica); and Don Petersen (auto-harp and singer).

Also participating from Svenson were Dave and Raylene Van Wagner and three of their five talented sons, Dalen, Dustin and Chaden. Dave played the guitar and mandolin and sang while his wife, Raylene, accompanied him on base guitar and harmonized in song. Dustin played violin and sang, Dalen played mandolin and sang, and Chaden, the youngest, sang and played violin.

At intermission we were pleased to share chocolate cake and oreo cookies in honor of Dalen's 14th birthday. At the conclusion of the evening, Dalen opened his birthday gifts which were a new guitar and harmonica.

The next Music Rendezvous will be April 10 at 7 p.m.. It is always on the second Friday of

each month. Come and bring some goodies and if you play an instrument and like old-time

music please bring your instrument and invite a friend along. The public is welcome.

Music Rendezvous rustles up a crowd



At the last Music Rendezvous held at the Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St., 14 musicians donated their time and talents for an evening of music before a good-sized audience.

The musicians who participated were Bob Swenson as Master of Ceremonies; Betty Braas, Al Badortha; Fern Ehrlich; Clarence Hadley; Audrey Paetow; Andy Honcharenko; Bill Leonard; Don Petersen; and the Van Wagner family - Dave and Raylene, and sons Dalen, Dustin and Chaden.

The next Music Rendezvous is 7 p.m. Friday, April 10. The program is held the second Friday of each month. The public is invited to bring treats for intermission and fellowship. If you play an instrument and like old-time

Last month's ASTORIA SENIOR CENTER JAM SESSION was a success with 15 musicians playing Sept. 10 for a good-sized audience, says supporter Marcella Lindsey. Those participating were master of ceremonies

BETTY BRAAS; CLARENCE HADLEY on violin; ANDY HONCHARENKO on guitar and mouth harp; PHYLLIS BENNETT on guitar and vocal; DALE AND LUCILLE JOHNSON on violin and piano; ARLE HAYNE on guitar and violin; LEE LAHTI on drums; AL SIMONSEN on piano accordion; RUSS LEWIS on guitar and vocal; CHERRY SHENEFIELD on piano accordion; PANSY RAATZ on guitar; JERRY RAATZ vocals; KEN FRAMPTON, base guitar; AUDREY PAETOW, piano; and JAMES WALKER, guitar and vocals.



Submitted photo

Senior rendezvous a hit



The next music rendezvous is 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10. It was my pleasure to attend the monthly music rendezvous held at the Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St., on Aug. 13.

There were 13 musicians who donated their time and talent for the enjoyment of a very good-sized audience.

Bob Swenson served as master of ceremonies; he also played his guitar and sang several songs. Clarence Hadley, who now lives in Warrenton, played his violin. Lee Lahti from Svensen played the drums, and Al Simonsen, also from Svensen, played the piano accordion. Pansy Raatz of Rockaway played the guitar. Pansy Raatz and her husband, Jerry, harmonized in song. They were accompanied by Ken Frampton, also from Rockaway Beach. He played the bass guitar.

Andy Honcharenko played his guitar and mouth harp. Phyllis Bennett played her guitar and sang songs. Arle Hayne played several specials on his violin. James Walker also played several songs on his guitar and sang.

Audrey Paetow played several songs on the piano and Charlotte Patching played many old-time songs while the audience sang along.

We all enjoyed refreshments and fellowship during intermission. If you have an instrument you can play, come and join us the second Friday in September at 7 p.m. Bring a friend and some goodies to share if you can.

Hope to see you then.

Marcella Lindsey, Warrenton



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Participants in a musical rendezvous gather for their photograph on Aug. 13.

Big crowd at musical rendezvous in Astoria

The monthly music rendezvous held at the Astoria Senior Center, at 1111 Exchange Street, drew 13 musicians to its Aug. 13 gathering. The group is pictured in the photo above.

Among the participants:

Bob Swenson, Master of Ceremonies, played his guitar, and sang several songs. Clarence Hadley of Warrenton, played violin. Lee Lahti, Swensen, played drums. Al Simonsen, Swensen, played the piano accordion. Pansy Raatz from Rockaway joined her husband, Jerry Raatz, to

play guitar and harmonize in song, accompanied by Ken Frampton, Rockaway, on the bass guitar.

Andy Honcharenko played guitar and mouth harp. Phyllis Bennett played guitar and sang. Arle Hayne played his violin while James Walker also played his guitar and sang. Audrey Paetow played many piano songs and Charlotte Patching played many old time songs the audience sang. The group next meets at 7 p.m., Sept. 10. Participants and spectators are asked to bring refreshments and goodies.

Musicians marvelous

By Marcella Lindsey
For North Coast Seniors

Another monthly music jam session in the series backed by the Astoria Senior Center, called the Music Rendezvous, is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 8. Each Music Rendezvous is held at 7 p.m. at the center located at 1111 Exchange in Astoria.

The last jam session was held Sept. 10, with 15 musicians playing for a good-sized audience.

Betty Braas was among those participating. She did very well as master of ceremonies. She also played the electric organ.

Clarence Hadley played violin. Andy Honcharenko played guitar and mouth hap. Phyllis Bennett played guitar and sang.

Violinist/fiddler Dale Johnson was accompanied by his wife Lucille (Johnson) on the piano.

Arlo Hayne played the

guitar and violin. Lee Lahti from Svensen played the drums and Al Simonsen, also from Svensen, played his piano accordion.

Russ Lewis played guitar and sang. Cherry Shenefield played the piano accordion and harmonized with Russ Lewis. Rockaway's Pansy Raatz played the guitar as she and her husband, Jerry Raatz, harmonized in song. They were accompanied by bass guitar player Ken Frampton of Rockaway.

Audrey Paetow played piano and James Walker played guitar and sang to round out the Rendezvous in September.

Everyone enjoyed good home-made cookies during intermission and also a fine fellowship time.

Hope to see more of you on Oct. 8.

Bring a friend and goodies to share if you can.



Lindsey



Photo by Marcella Lindsey

There were 15 participants in the October music gathering in Astoria.



Singing and playing for their luncheon cohorts

Photo courtesy Marcella Lindsey
Musicians play regularly at the Warrenton Senior Center. Those photographed at a Feb. 22 event included (left to right): Al Simonson on the piano accordion; Bill Leonard, harmonica; Lee Lahti, drums; Russ Lewis, guitar and vocals. Dan Newton played Jews Harp but is not pictured.

Music jam hoedown enjoyed by crowd



A nice-size crowd gathered at the Astoria Senior Center April 14 for a regular monthly music jam.

There were 18 musicians participating. Bob Swenson was master of ceremonies in addition to playing guitar and singing. Russ Lewis sang and played guitar; his son, Kevin Lewis, accompanied him on bass guitar. Lloyd Wood played guitar as he and wife Erna Wood sang in harmony. June Petersen

played piano while her husband, Don Petersen sang. Phyllis Bennett played guitar and sang. Representing Rockaway Beach were Jerry and Penny Raatz and Ken Frampton. Penny Raatz played guitar, Ken Raatz joined her on base guitar and the three all harmonized in song. The three are regulars who travel each month to come to the music jam.

Clarence Hadley played violin; Arlee Hayne played Hadley's violin and sang. James

Walker played guitar and sang several songs. Al Simonsen of Svensen played the piano accordion.

Two new gentlemen joined the group April 14. One played the banjo and Uke and the other the piano and piano keyboard (played by mouth).

Everyone enjoyed visiting and refreshments during intermission.

— submitted by Marcella Lindsey of Warrenton

UP NEXT

The next music hoedown is 7 p.m. Friday at the Astoria Senior Center, 1111 Exchange St. Come, bring a friend, an instrument if you play, and some cookies to share with friends. For more information, call 325-3231.

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Signal photo courtesy Marcella Lindsay

Attending the April 14 musical event at Astoria's senior center were: (front row, left to right) Lloyd Wood, Erna Wood, Phyllis Bennett, Jerry Raatz, June Petersen, Don Petersen, Pansy Raatz and Kyle plus (back row, left to right) Kevin Lewis, Bob Swenson, Clarence Hadley, James Walker, Al Simonsen, Arlee Hayne, Robert "Ukelele", and Ken Frampton.

Hoe down held in Astoria

By Marcella Lindsay
for North Coast Seniors

A nice size crowd gathered at the Astoria Senior Center on April 14, a Friday, for the monthly musical hoe down.

There were 18 musicians participating. Bob Swenson was master of ceremonies when not playing his guitar and singing.

Russ Lewis played his guitar, accompanied by his son Kevin Lewis on a bass guitar. Russ also sang a number of songs.

Lloyd Wood played guitar as he and his wife Erna sang. June Peterson played the piano while her husband Don sang.

Phyllis Bennett played her guitar and sang.

Jerry and Penny Raatz and Ken Frampton from Rockaway Beach entertained the crowd as Penny played her guitar with Ken on a bass guitar while all three harmonized. Other seniors

appreciate them making the drive from Rockaway. Clarence Hadley participated on violin as Arlee Hayne also played violin and sang. James Walker played his guitar and sang several songs while Al Simonsen from Swenson played accordion and Lee Lahti did some drumming. New at the group were Robert, on banjo and ukelele, plus Kyly on the piano and a piano keyboard played by mouth.

Everyone enjoyed visiting and refreshments were served during intermission. The next hoe down will be held May 12 at 7 p.m. at the senior center located at 1111 Exchange Street in Astoria. Those attending are encouraged to bring a friend — and instrument for those who play — along with cookies to share with friends.

Call the senior center at 325-3231 for more information.



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A large group took part in the November version of the Music Rendezvous put on by the Astoria recreation department. More than a dozen musicians took part in the Nov. 12 event at the senior center in Astoria. Those taking part (pictured with the instruments they had that evening) were: (Front row, left to right) Don Petersen, June Cameron, Phyllis Bennett, Susan Cook (with accordion), Dorothy Mason, Pansy Raatz, Jerry Raatz plus Ken Frampton. In back, left to right, are Russ Lewis, Paul Kuhnly, Lee Lahti, Sharon Simonsen, Al Simonsen, Bill Leonard, Kevin Lewis, James Walker, Bob Swenson and Andy Honcharenko.

